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MY BODY!

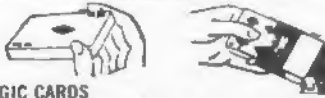
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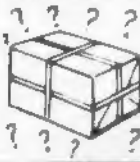
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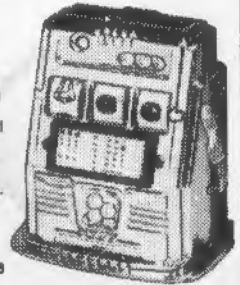
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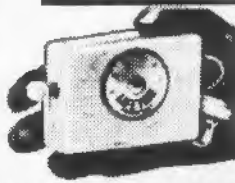
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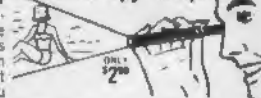
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"POWER of the PARASITE!"

WATCH HOW EASILY I DRAIN THE ENERGY FROM THESE MEN...JUST AS I'LL DRAIN **YOUR** SUPER-POWERS INTO **MY** BODY, **SUPERMAN**!

GREAT PLANETS! HE'S RIGHT! I CAN FEEL MYSELF WEAKENING ALREADY! BUT I **MUST** FIND A WAY TO STOP THE **PARASITE**... EVEN IF IT COSTS ME MY **LIFE**!

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ONE DAY, AS SUPERMAN CONCLUDES AN ATOMIC PROJECT AT A GOVERNMENT LAB...

LOOK AT THAT! THOSE RADIOACTIVE ELEMENTS FROM ANOTHER GALAXY WOULD KILL A NORMAL PERSON IN SECONDS--BUT SUPERMAN DOESN'T EVEN BOTHER WITH SHIELDING!

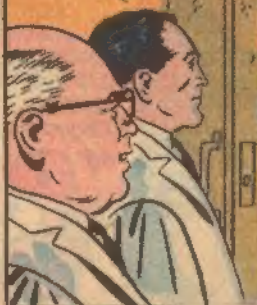


AFTER ALL, HE BROUGHT THEM TO EARTH HIMSELF!

AH! THIS ACID TEST IS THE LAST ONE!

MINUTES LATER... ALL FINISHED, GENTLEMEN! I'VE DECONTAMINATED MYSELF AND SEALED THE ATOMIC WASTES IN A RADIATION-PROOF CONTAINER!

THANKS! I'LL HAVE A LAB WORKER CART IT OUT FOR SAFE DISPOSAL!



NOW-- BACK TO THE DAILY PLANET AS CLARK KENT!

JENSEN! GET TO WORK, YOU LOAFER! TAKE THAT CONTAINER TO THE WASTE DISPOSAL CENTER!

YES, SIR! RIGHT AWAY, SIR!

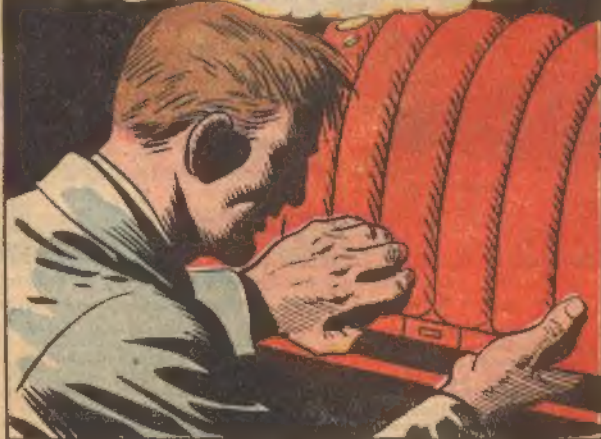
EVERYBODY ALWAYS ORDERING ME AROUND! I HATE 'EM ALL! I'D THROW THOSE WORDS BACK IN HIS TEETH IF I DIDN'T NEED THE SALARY!



I WAS FIRED FROM THREE JOBS LAST YEAR! CAN'T AFFORD... SAY, THIS THING IS HEAVY! I WONDER WHAT'S IN IT?



IT SAYS "RADIOACTIVE WASTE," MAYBE! BUT I HEARD THEY USED TO SHIP PAYROLLS LIKE THIS TO FOOL CROOKS! I'LL PEEK INSIDE. IF IT IS RADIOACTIVE, I'LL SHUT IT QUICK!--AH! THE LOCK'S GIVING...



AS THE LARCENOUS LABORER OPENS THE CONTAINER, HE IS BATHED IN STRANGE, ALIEN RAYS, WHICH PENETRATE TO EVERY CELL OF HIS BODY!



THERE... I CLOSED IT! BUT I FEEL LIKE MY BODY'S EXPLODING INSIDE! NOW... IT'S AS IF ALL MY ENERGY WAS USED UP! I'M FAINT...



SUDDENLY, ONE OF THE LAB'S TOP SCIENTISTS COMES UPON THE LIMP FIGURE!

JENSEN! DID YOU OPEN THAT WASTE CONTAINER? YOU MIGHT HAVE CONTAMINATED THE WHOLE BUILDING! OR IS SOMETHING WRONG WITH YOU?



BUT WHEN THE TECHNICIAN TOUCHES THE INERT FORM...

WHA...? FEEL... GROGGY! CAN'T STAND UP... OHH!

I'M GETTING STRONGER... REVIVING!



I'M BETTER NOW... BUT FEEL STRANGE... DIFFERENT! WHEN HE TOUCHED ME, I GOT SOME ENERGY... AND HE GOT WEAK! BUT I'M STILL A LITTLE DIZZY!



JENSEN! WHAT HAPPENED TO YOU? THAT CONTAINER...

DANGER DO NOT OPEN

LOOK AT YOUR HANDS... YOUR FACE! WHAT...? UUUHHH!

MY FULL STRENGTH'S BACK--AND HE'S COLLAPSING! AND MY BRAIN... I'M GETTING AS SMART AS HE IS!



AS THE SCIENTIST'S MENTALITY FLOWS INTO THE BRAIN OF THE TRANSFORMED LAB-WORKER, REALIZATION DAWNS ON HIM...

I **DRAINED** HIM OF HIS STRENGTH...AND HIS MIND, TOO! I'VE BECOME A SORT OF **PARASITE!** BUT BEFORE SOMEONE ELSE FINDS ME, I'D BETTER GET OUT OF HERE!... MUST THINK!



MY ROOM'S NOT FAR AWAY, BUT... I'M GETTING DIZZY AGAIN! HMM... THAT GROUP OF MEN OUTSIDE... I WONDER?



HEY! DON'T YOU KNOW THIS AREA IS RESTRICTED...? **OOF!**

OUT OF MY WAY, CHUMPS!

IT WORKED! THEY'RE ALL COLLAPSING! AND I HAVE STRENGTH OF TWENTY MEN NOW!



SOON, AT JENSEN'S DINGY ROOMING HOUSE...

WITH THE MENTALITY I STOLE FROM THESE MEN, I FIGURED OUT. THIS **PARASITE** POWER! THE RADIATION DID MORE THAN SCAR MY FACE AND BODY! IT TURNED ME INTO AN **ATOMIC FURNACE!** IN MINUTES, I BURN UP ALL THE ENERGY A NORMAL BODY HAS... BUT I CAN REPLENISH IT...



...BY BECOMING A HUMAN **PARASITE** AND DRAINING IT FROM OTHERS! I CAN LIVE INDEFINITELY... BECOME SUPER-STRONG BY SAPPING THE STRENGTH OF A WHOLE **CROWD!** I CAN BE THE WORLD'S MIGHTIEST CRIMINAL! BUT WHEN PEOPLE LEARN TO AVOID ME, AND I CAN'T RECHARGE MY POWER, I'LL BE **DOOMED!**



MEANTIME, IN THE OFFICE OF **DAILY PLANET** EDITOR PERRY WHITE...

IT'S ABOUT TIME YOU GOT HERE, CLARK! WHAT'S YOUR EXCUSE?

I--UH--RAN INTO AN UNEXPECTED EMERGENCY!

A FALLING PLANE, WHICH I HAD TO SAVE AS **SUPERMAN!**





OUTSIDE... ODD! FOR A MOMENT, I FELT WEAK! I'D INVESTIGATE, BUT I'M OVERDUE AT THE CONSTRUCTION JOB!



SHORTLY, AT THE BUILDING SITE... HOLY WRECKING CREW! SUPERMAN'S LIFTING THAT ENTIRE OLD TENEMENT BUILDING WITH ONE HAND!



HMM...AND CLARK STILL HASN'T SHOWN UP!

NOW THAT HE'S DEMOLISHED THE ABANDONED STRUCTURE, HE'S GOING TO GET THE MATERIALS TO BUILD THE HOSPITAL!



THEY'RE NEARBY! BUT THIS IS MY CHANCE TO SLIP AWAY AND SWITCH TO CLARK FOR A FEW MOMENTS!

SECONDS LATER...

WELL! WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN, CLARK?

NO ONE'S NOTICED ME HERE IN THE SHADOWS! I DON'T SEE SUPERMAN...

HI, LOIS! I WAS LATE GETTING TO THE OFFICE!



...BUT I CAN WAIT...WHAT'S THIS? I FEEL STRONG, AS IF HE WERE NEAR!



OHH! I SUDDENLY FEEL GROGGY!

WHAT'S THE MATTER, CLARK?

ONLY SUPERMAN'S STRENGTH COULD AFFECT ME AT THIS DISTANCE! HE MUST BE IN THE CROWD -- IN HIS SECRET IDENTITY!

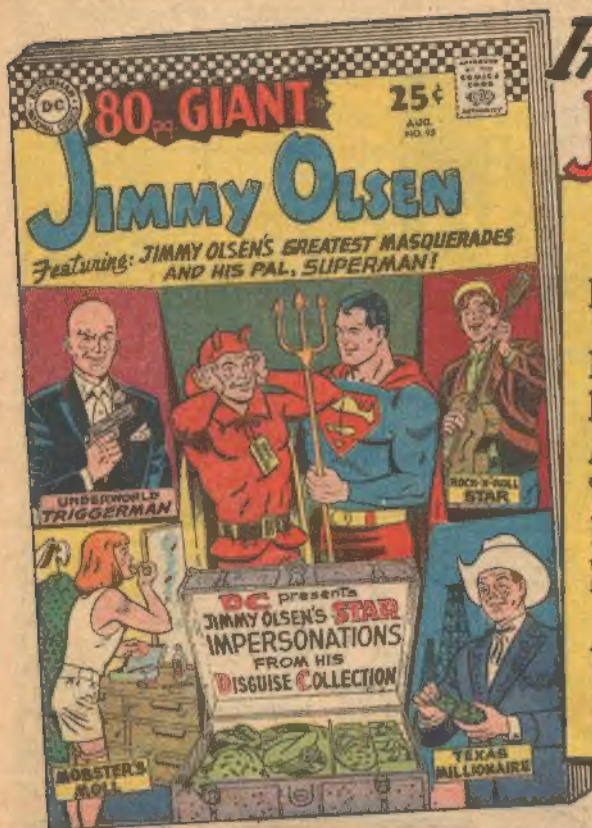


DON'T YOU FEEL WELL, CLARK?

SOMETHING'S STEALING MY STRENGTH! DOESN'T FEEL LIKE KRYPTONITE!

THAT REPORTER WHO'S SLUMPING... THE ONE CALLED CLARK...HE MUST BE SUPERMAN!

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Introducing JIMMY OLSEN...



He's a MASTER
of DISGUISE:
He's a DEVIL!
He's a GANGSTER!
He's a dozen other guys!
He's a BEARDED BOY, a MARTIAN,
A ROCK-N-ROLLER and a CLOWN...
TEXAN, CAVEMAN, GIRL and ROBOT...
Man, he really goes to town!
He's a KNIGHT and he's a CONVICT-
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THIS CHANGES MY PLANS! I WON'T ATTACK **SUPERMAN** NOW! I'LL GO INTO DOWNTOWN **METROPOLIS**... ROB AND PLUNDER... AND WHEN **SUPERMAN** TACKLES ME ON MY TERMS, I'LL HAVE A SECRET HOLD ON HIM--HIS IDENTITY!

CLARK KENT! ANSWER ME! ARE YOU ILL?

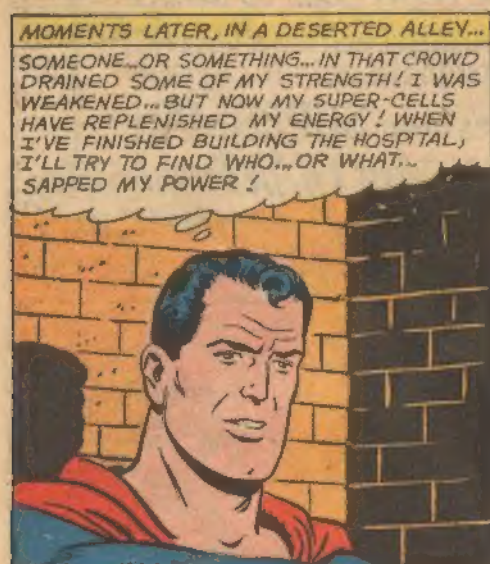
GOT TO GET AWAY... SWITCH TO **SUPERMAN** AND INVESTIGATE THIS!



I'M FINE, LOIS! JUST LEAVE ME ALONE!

I MUST FIND OUT WHAT'S CAUSING MY WEAKNESS!

CLARK! WAIT! I'M SORRY!



MOMENTS LATER, IN A DESERTED ALLEY...

SOMEONE...OR SOMETHING...IN THAT CROWD DRAINED SOME OF MY STRENGTH! I WAS WEAKENED...BUT NOW MY SUPER-CELLS HAVE REPLENISHED MY ENERGY! WHEN I'VE FINISHED BUILDING THE HOSPITAL, I'LL TRY TO FIND WHO...OR WHAT...SAPPED MY POWER!



SOME TIME LATER, AFTER THE COMPLETION OF THE STRUCTURE...

SUPERMAN, THIS NEW HOSPITAL WILL BE A BOON TO OUR CITY! ON BEHALF OF... EH? WHAT'S WRONG?

EXCUSE ME, MR. MAYOR! MY SUPER-HEARING JUST PICKED UP A CALL ON A NEARBY POLICE CAR'S RADIO!



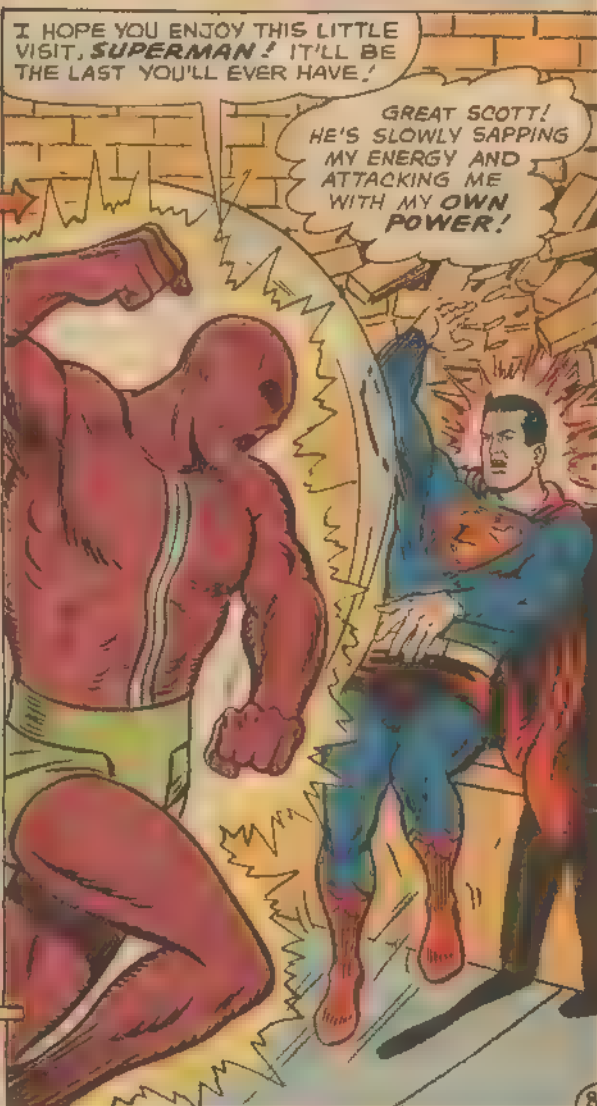
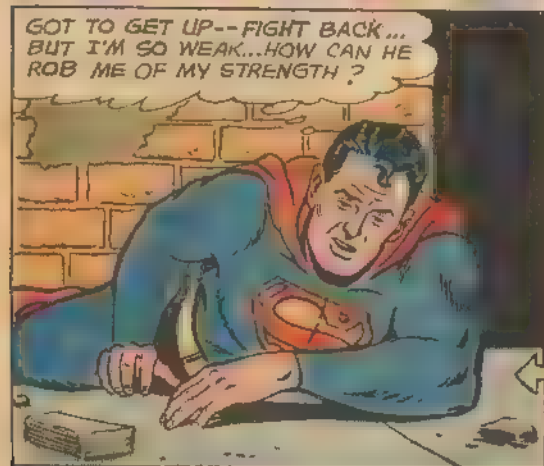
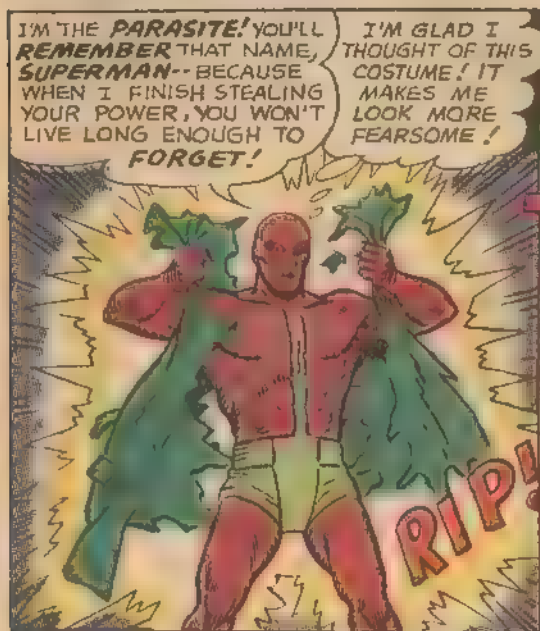
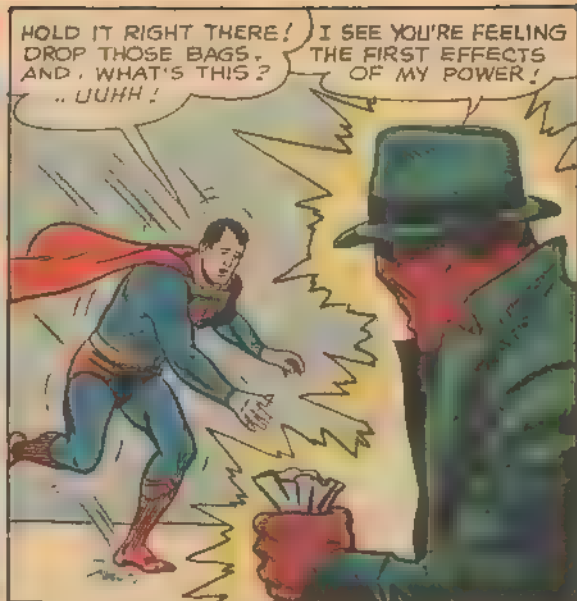
THERE'S A ONE-MAN CRIME WAVE IN THE HEART OF THE CITY! I'D BETTER GET THERE AT ONCE!

ME, TOO! WHAT A STORY!

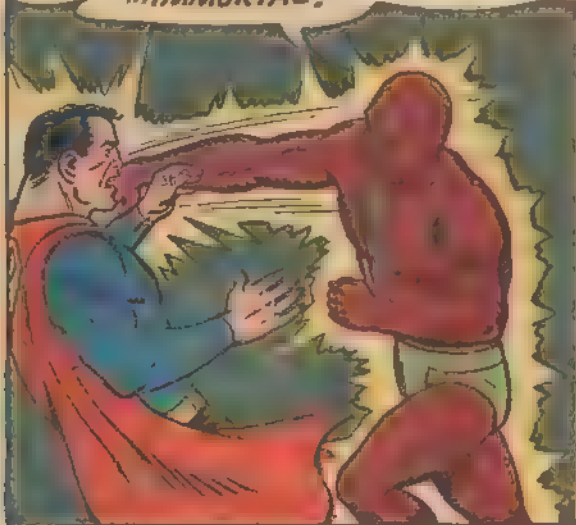


MEANTIME, DOWNTOWN...

HA, HA! BY RUNNING THROUGH THE CROWDS, I'VE GAINED FANTASTIC STRENGTH. NOTHING CAN STOP ME. WAIT...WHAT'S THAT NOISE?

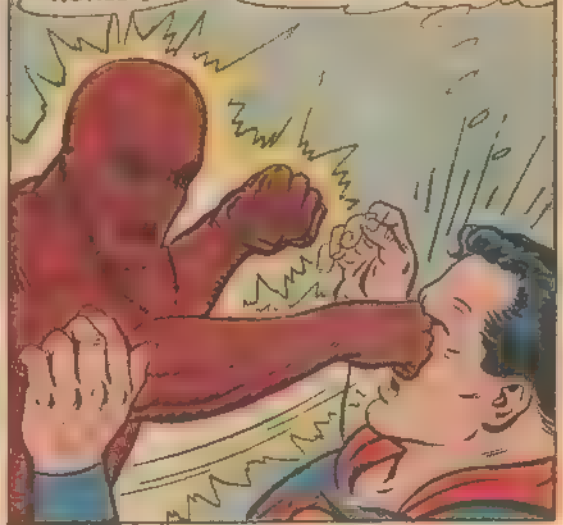


MY POWER WILL SAP YOUR ENERGY, **SUPERMAN**, LEAVING YOU WEAK AND HELPLESS! WHILE I BECOME INVINCIBLE... INVULNERABLE... **IMMORTAL!**



WITH YOUR POWER, **SUPERMAN**, I'LL MASTER THE WORLD!

MUST STRIKE BACK... BEFORE I'M BATTERED INTO UNCONSCIOUSNESS!



THAT'S IT, **SUPERMAN**! TRY TO GRAPPLE WITH ME, SO I CAN STEAL YOUR STRENGTH EVEN FASTER!



OOF!

SO WEAK... I CAN'T HOLD OUT MUCH LONGER!

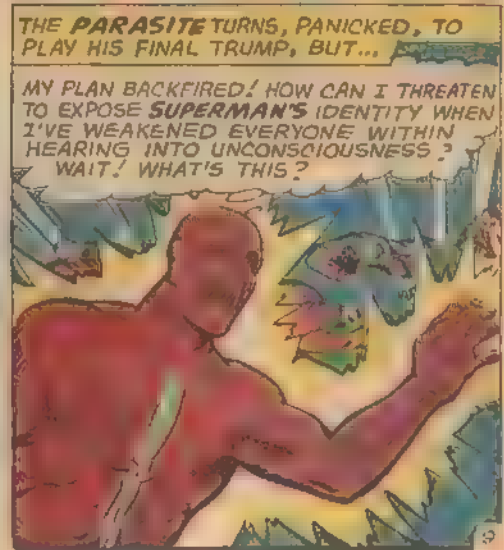
THERE'S ONLY ONE CHANCE -- I MUST MAKE HIM BELIEVE I'M STILL STRONG! I'LL FORCE MYSELF TO RISE!

NO! YOU CAN'T STAND UP! YOU CAN'T!



THE **PARASITE** TURNS, PANICKED, TO PLAY HIS FINAL TRUMP, BUT...

MY PLAN BACKFIRED! HOW CAN I THREATEN TO EXPOSE **SUPERMAN'S** IDENTITY WHEN I'VE WEAKENED EVERYONE WITHIN HEARING INTO UNCONSCIOUSNESS? WAIT! WHAT'S THIS?



AHA. IT'S LOIS LANE,
 THE GIRL REPORTER,
 PROBABLY HERE TO
 COVER MY
 ROBBERIES!

THE POLICE HAD THIS
 AREA CORDONED OFF!
 BUT I DON'T **SEE** ANY
 DANGER!

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A NOISE BEHIND ME...
EEEEK! WHO... WHAT ARE YOU?

NO! STAY AWAY FROM ME!

STAND RIGHT THERE, MISS LANE! ONCE I TOUCH YOU, YOU'LL BE TOO WEAK TO RESIST!

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BUT I CAN'T LET HIM USE HIS PARASITIC POWER
ON LOIS! IF I CAN JUST MAKE IT TO THE
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OHH!

I'VE BEATEN **SUPERMAN**. AFTER ALL! HE'S RUNNING AWAY! BUT WHAT GOOD DOES THAT DO ME? I MUST FIGHT HIM TO THE FINISH... STEAL ALL HIS POWER! I'LL HAVE TO GET HIM DOWN HERE AGAIN!

LISTEN, **SUPERMAN!**
I KNOW YOUR
IDENTITY! COME
DOWN AND BATTLE
ME TO A FINISH,
OR I'LL EXPOSE
IT TO THE WORLD!

HE MUST'VE SEEN CLARK
KENT WEAKEN AT THE
HOSPITAL SITE!

YOU CAN'T
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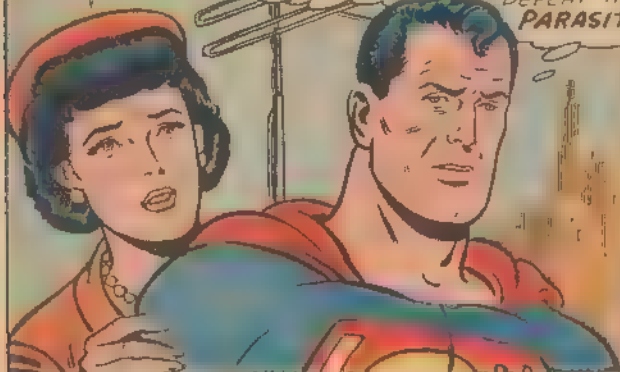
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LOIS!

SUMMONING THE LAST VESTIGES OF HIS REMAINING STRENGTH, **SUPERMAN** PREPARES TO FACE HIS DEADLY FOE!

DON'T GO. HE'S TOO POWERFUL!

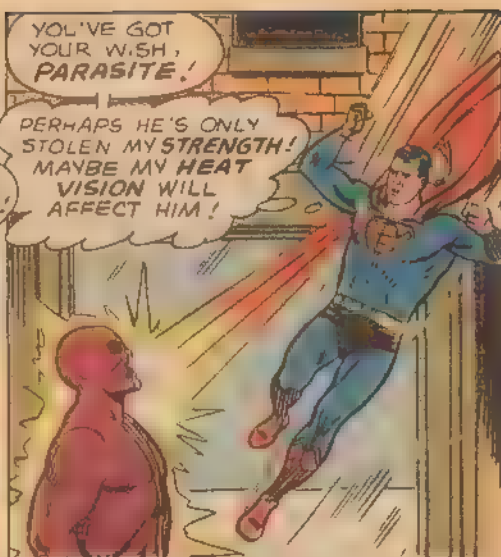
YOU'RE RIGHT HE'S TOO POWERFUL TO REMAIN UNCHECKED 'GOODBYE, LOIS!

THAT MAY BE MY **LAST** GOODBYE, UNLESS I CAN DEFEAT THE **PARASITE!**



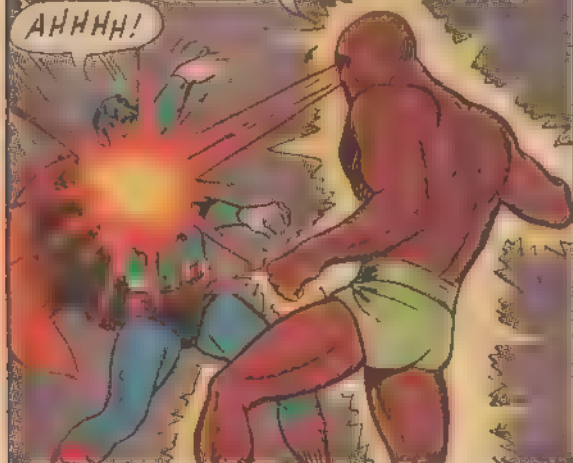
YOU'VE GOT YOUR WISH, **PARASITE!**

PERHAPS HE'S ONLY STOLEN MY **STRENGTH!** MAYBE MY **HEAT VISION** WILL AFFECT HIM!

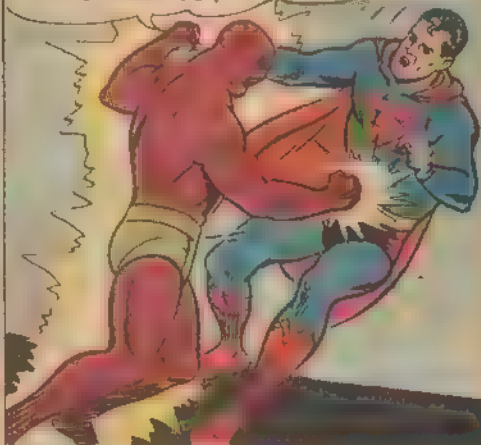


THANKS FOR THE REMINDER, **SUPERMAN!** I'D FORGOTTEN I ABSORBED **ALL** YOUR POWERS WHEN I STOLE YOUR STRENGTH!

AHHHH!

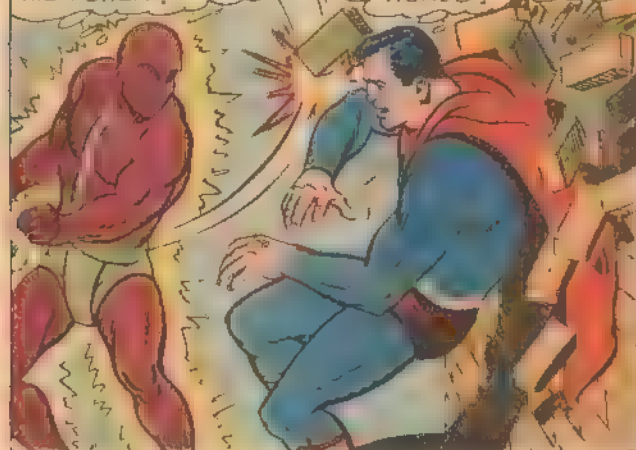


HA! I WAS A FOOL TO FLEE FROM YOU BEFORE, **SUPERMAN!** WHY, WITH JUST A FRACTION OF MY I MEAN **YOUR** POWER, I'VE REDUCED YOU TO NEAR HELPLESSNESS!



HOW CAN HE SURVIVE THESE TERRIFIC BLOWS? WHAT CAN BE HOLDING HIM UP WHEN I'VE DRAINED **MOST** OF HIS POWER?

GOT TO HOLD OUT FIND SOME "CHINK" IN HIS "ARMOR." I CAN'T LET HIM MENACE THE WORLD.

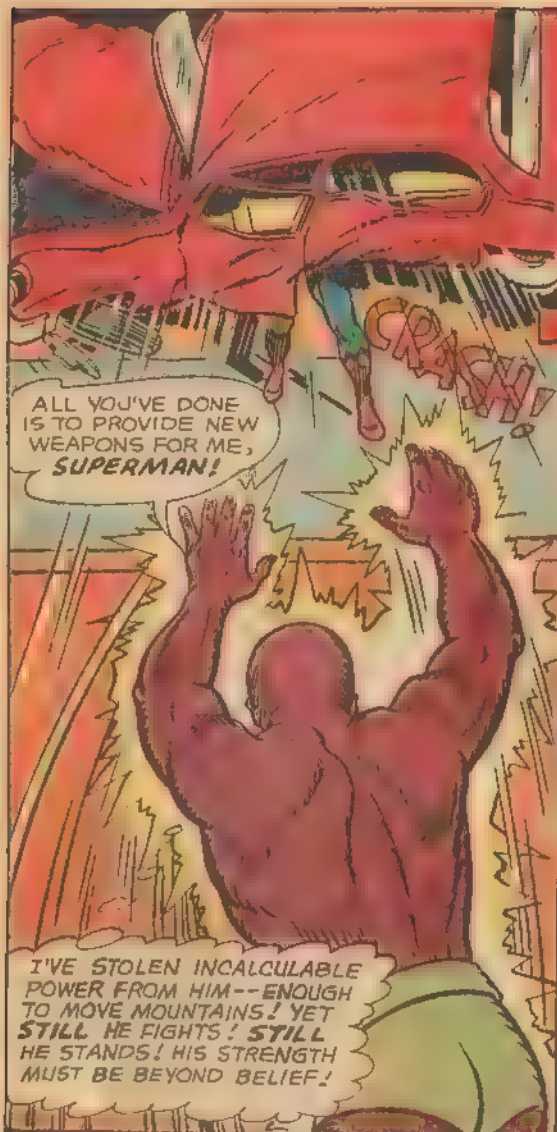


WELL, I'M DESPERATE. I'LL HAVE TO DRAIN **ALL** HIS ENERGY. WHICH WILL RESULT IN **SUPERMAN'S** DEATH...OR THE STRENGTH I'VE STOLEN WILL WEAR OFF AND I'LL GROW WEAK AGAIN!

PERHAPS IF I CAN MAKE IT TO THE STREET



RUNNING AWAY WON'T HELP YOU, **SUPERMAN.** YOU'RE TOO FEEBLE TO GET FAR!



ALL YOU'VE DONE IS TO PROVIDE NEW WEAPONS FOR ME, SUPERMAN!

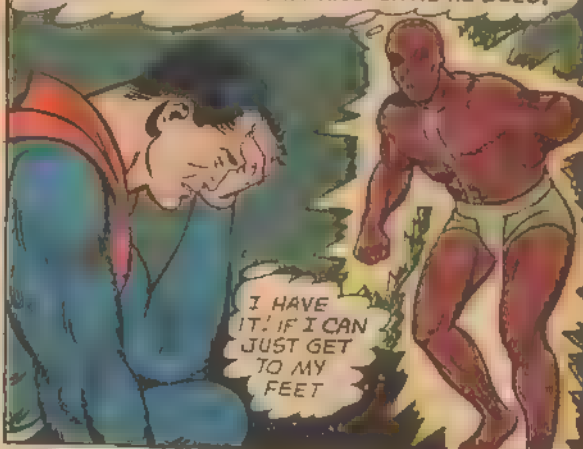
I'VE STOLEN INCALCULABLE POWER FROM HIM--ENOUGH TO MOVE MOUNTAINS! YET **STILL** HE FIGHTS! **STILL** HE STANDS! HIS STRENGTH MUST BE BEYOND BELIEF!

IN A PILE OF SHATTERED GLASS AND TWISTED METAL, THE WEAKENED, NEAR-UNCONSCIOUS **MAN OF STEEL** SLOWLY STARTS TO RISE!

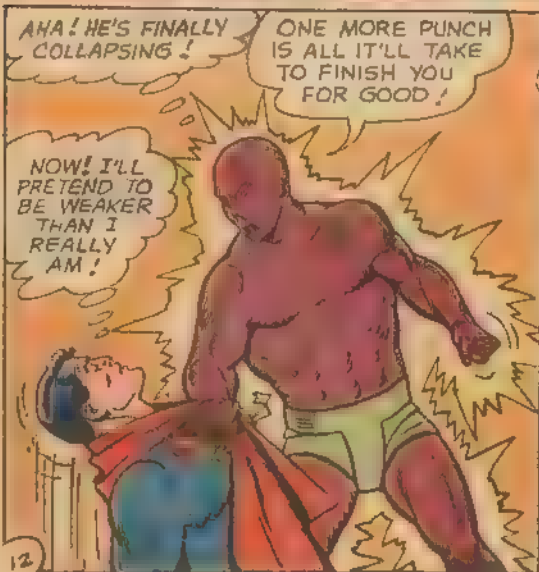
I CAN'T TAKE MUCH MORE OF THIS...AND THE **PARASITE** KNOWS IT! I NEED A PLAN OF ACTION... BUT WHAT?



I'VE HURLED ENOUGH OF HIS OWN POWER AT HIM TO DESTROY A DOZEN SUPER-HEROES! WHAT MANNER OF MAN IS HE? STILL, HE HAS TO GIVE SOMETIME... AND I'LL CONTINUE STEALING THE POWER HE HAS UNTIL HE DOES!



I HAVE IT! IF I CAN JUST GET TO MY FEET



AHA! HE'S FINALLY COLLAPSING!

ONE MORE PUNCH IS ALL IT'LL TAKE TO FINISH YOU FOR GOOD!

NOW! I'LL PRETEND TO BE WEAKER THAN I REALLY AM!

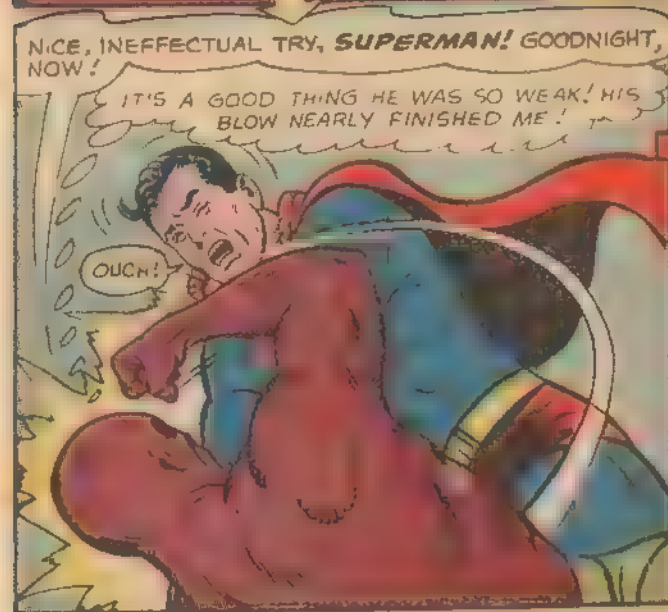
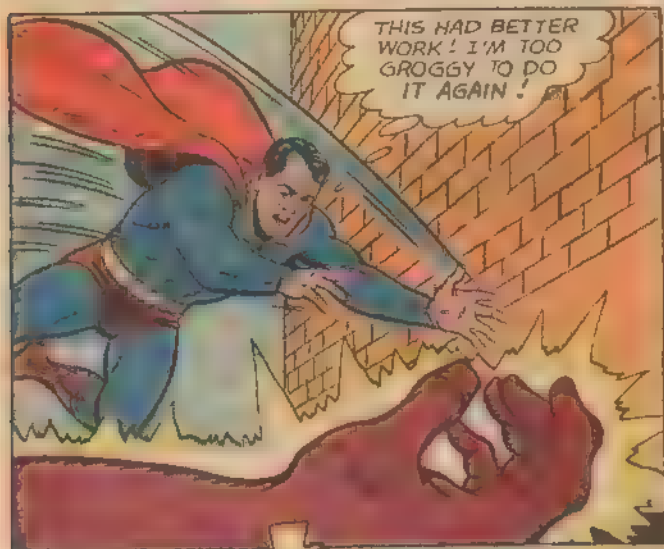
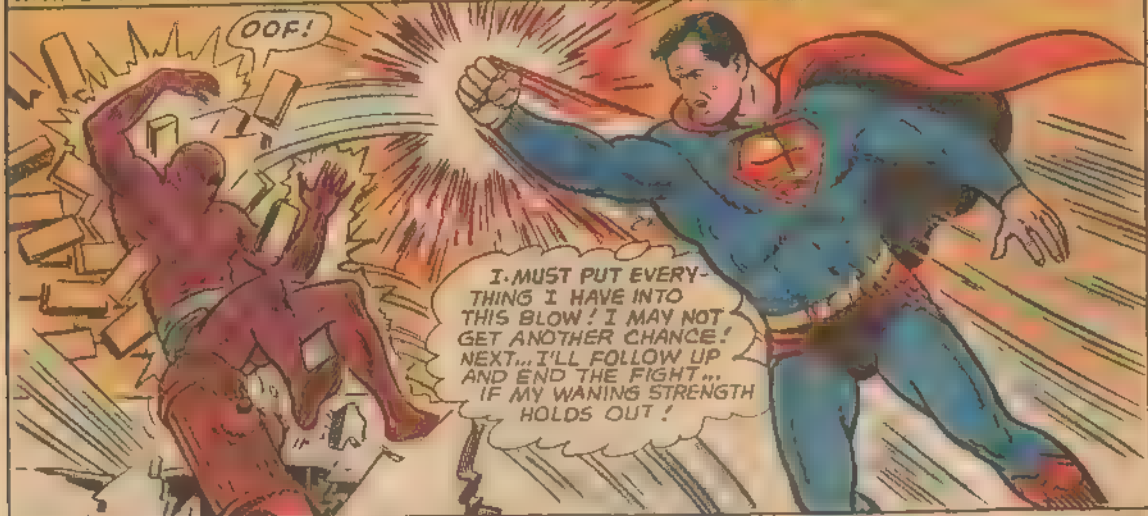


GOOD! WHILE HE THINKS I'M HELPLESS, I'LL DUCK HIS KNOCKOUT BLOW!

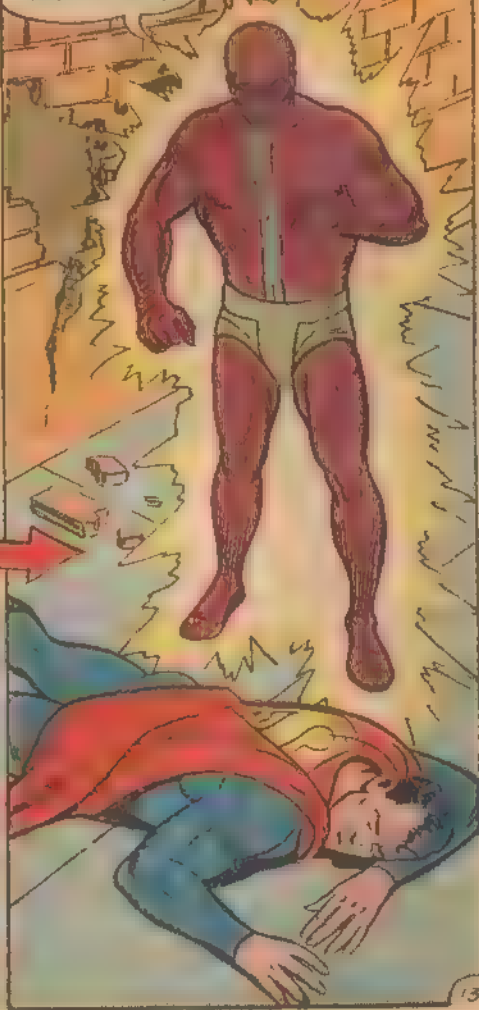
WHA. ? YOU **CAN'T** DODGE MY PUNCH! YOU'RE DONE FOR!

THAT'S WHAT YOU **THOUGHT!** NOW...

WITH EAR-SPLITTING CONCUSSION, **SUPERMAN** DRIVES HIS FOE INTO A WALL!



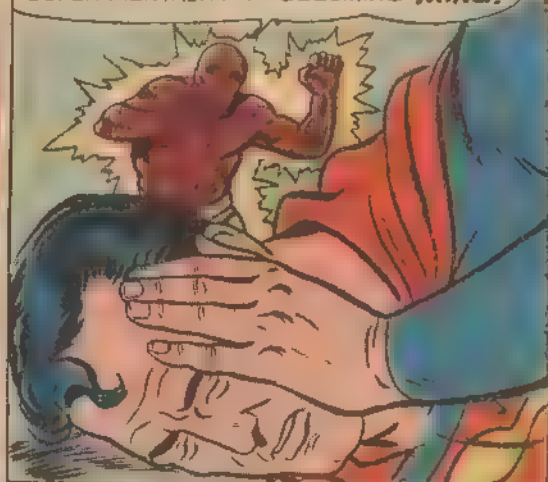
THAT LAST PUNCH WAS ALL I NEEDED! NOW, AS YOUR FINAL BIT OF POWER LEAVES YOU, AND **DEATH** IS CLOSING IN ON YOU, I'LL AMUSE YOU BY TELLING YOU MY PLANS!



FIRST I'LL GET REVENGE ON THE PEOPLE WHO ORDERED ME AROUND! THEN I'LL ROB FORT KNOX AND THE BANK OF ENGLAND! AND, NOT BEING FROM KRYPTON, I DON'T HAVE YOUR WEAKNESS TO KRYPTONITE!

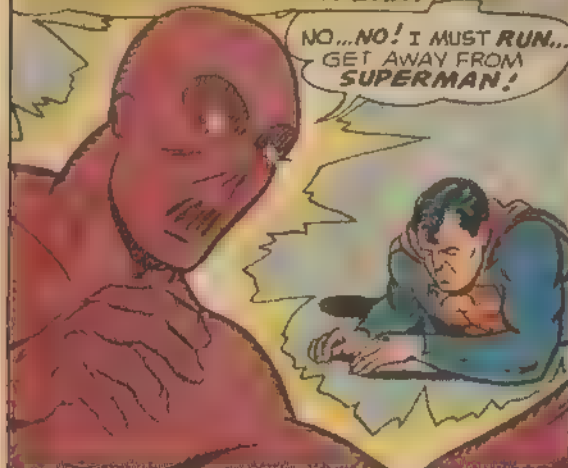
I ONLY ABSORB YOUR RAW POWER! I'M INVINCIBLE!

AH... MY POWER IS BREAKING DOWN THE LAST BARRIER OF YOUR INVULNERABILITY! YOUR SUPER-MENTALITY IS BECOMING MINE!

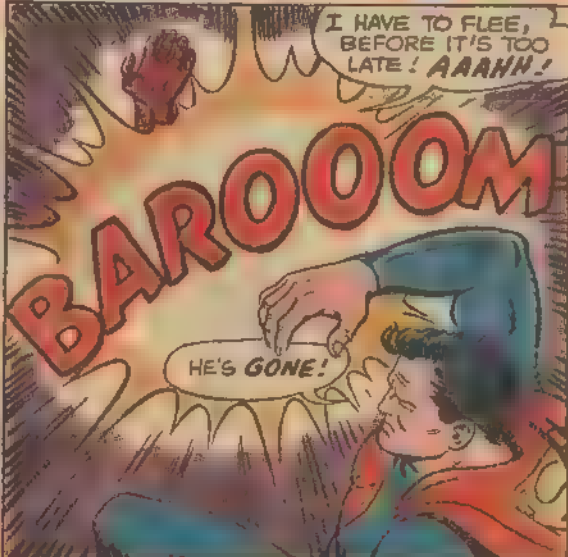


GREEDY EYES GLEAM AS SUPERMAN'S INNER-MOST SECRETS STREAM INTO THE PARASITE'S BRAIN... THEN, SUDDENLY, HIS EXPRESSION CHANGES TO ONE OF STARK FEAR!

NO... NO! I MUST RUN... GET AWAY FROM SUPERMAN!



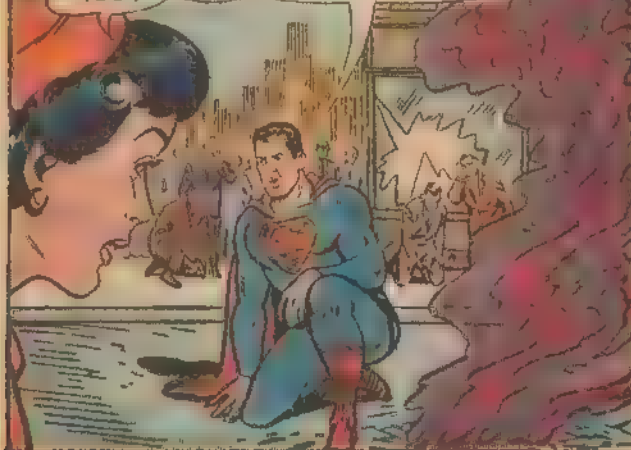
I HAVE TO FLEE, BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE! AAAHH!



AS THE SMOKE CLEARS, THE EARLIER VICTIMS OF THE PARASITE SLOWLY RECOVER CONSCIOUSNESS!

SUPERMAN! I WAS AFRAID HE'D KILL YOU!

I MUST ADMIT HE NEARLY DID, LOIS!



BUT HE WAS BEATEN BY HIS OWN GREED! HE HAD ENOUGH POWER TO SHAKE THE WORLD, BUT HE WANTED IMMORTALITY, TOO! HE DIDN'T REALIZE THAT, THOUGH HIS PARASITIC ABILITY ALLOWED HIM TO SAP MY POWER, HIS BODY WAS STILL MORTAL! IT WAS TOO FRAIL TO CONTAIN THE AWESOME ENERGIES HE ABSORBED!





WITH BEST WISHES
from your Super-Pal--
Superman

METROPOLIS MAILBAG

Dear Editor: I enjoyed both stories in ACTION No. 337, but I do have one question. In "From Riches to Rags," where did Superman get the swanky, chauffeur-driven limousine he used in his "rich man" pose? —John Bowman, Houston, Tex.

(He rented it from Hertz, of course. They were so glad to get the publicity they threw in the chauffeur, for free! —Ed.)

Dear Editor: Please don't get me wrong. I think your mags are fabulous. But one thing has me really annoyed. The cover of ACTION No. 336 depicts the Bizarro-Supergirl on Superhorse, who is butting Superman. This is one of the most misleading covers I've seen. The sequence about "The Forbidden Fortress of Solitude" takes up about one page of an eleven-page story. You have always had beautiful covers and you always will, but please, no more of this! —Marc Ehrlich, Brooklyn, N.Y.

(Now and then we take such a liberty for the sake of a good cover scene. It's an old established custom. How often have you seen the "Glorious Whitewasher" sequence from "Tom Sawyer" illustrated on the book's cover? Yet this chapter has nothing to do with the novel's main plot, which involves murder and hidden treasure. —Ed.)

Dear Editor: I think your Superman of America code is extremely simple. When I saw the message in ACTION No. 336, it took me only five minutes to crack the code. If it had been any good, it would have stumped me. —James Fluhart, Bremerhaven, Germany.

(Here's your answer: GIBP = 1U#CB4 &Q+AV9*. Figure that code message out, smart guy! —Ed.)

Dear Editor: Either Superman is a super-booby, or you made a super-slip! In "The Forbidden Fortress of Solitude," the Man of Steel could find no way to help Supergirl when her face had been made ugly. Since she becomes non-super in the bottle-city of Kandor, the Kandorian doctors, with their advanced scientific techniques, could've performed plastic surgery on her disfigured face and restored its natural beauty. Explain your unexplainable super-slip! —Nancy DeAngelis, Brooklyn, N.Y.

(According to a report from the surgeon general of Kandor, Superman used his X-ray and microscopic vision on Supergirl's face and discovered that the damage done by the gas which changed her was beyond even the science of Kandor to repair. —Ed.)

Dear Editor: I know Superman has many foes who come back to fight him often. There's Luthor, Brainiac, Mr. Mxyzptlk, the Toyman and others. It's the same with Batman, the Flash and most comic heroes. But I'd like to know whether there were any recurring villains before the days of the comic mags. Can you enlighten me on this subject? —Jason Guthrie, Raleigh, N.C.

(There certainly were such villains! Surely you recall Robin Hood's many run-ins with the Sheriff of Notting-

ham. Novelist Sax Rohmer created two villains who ran in their own series of novels: the world-famous Fu Manchu and the lesser-known woman mastermind, Sumuru. Many of Sherlock Holmes' cases brought him in conflict with the evil genius of Professor James Moriarty. Even L. Frank Baum's Oz Books had the villainous Nome King, Ruggedo. Does any reader know of other recurring baddies in fiction? —Ed.)

Dear Editor: We are students at Parsons University and we have a problem here. We would like our school to give a course on comic heroes, with full credits for studies on Superman, Supergirl, Batman and the villains they battle. Can you use your influence and write our dean to get such a course started here? —Jeff Bradley and Guy Martin, Parsons University.

(We suspect this is a hoax. If it isn't, you obviously want an excuse to read comics when you should be studying. Better get cracking on your college texts, boys, or we predict you'll have some real problems—like failing grades! —Ed.)

Dear Editor: On the cover of ACTION No. 336, you show the Fortress of Solitude in the Arctic. Yet the ground nearby is brown instead of being snow-covered. —James Chiampas, Chicago, Ill.

(You're right. Color us red—from embarrassment! —Ed.)

Dear Editor: Like many young men, I now wear my hair long. I'd like to know why Superman doesn't get in on this trend and let his locks grow. It would be more becoming than the "square-cut" he has now! —Len Bascomb, Columbus, Ohio.

(They'll be calling you square if you don't get hip to the fact that Superman's invulnerable hair doesn't grow under Earth's yellow sun! —Ed.)

Dear Editor: I noticed that you had Halley's Comet causing Superman's strange behaviour in "From Riches to Rags." I looked it up in the encyclopedia and found that it appears about every 75 years (depending on the gravitational pull of the planets). It last showed up in 1910 and is due back in 1985. How can you fit these dates into your story? —Robert Conover.

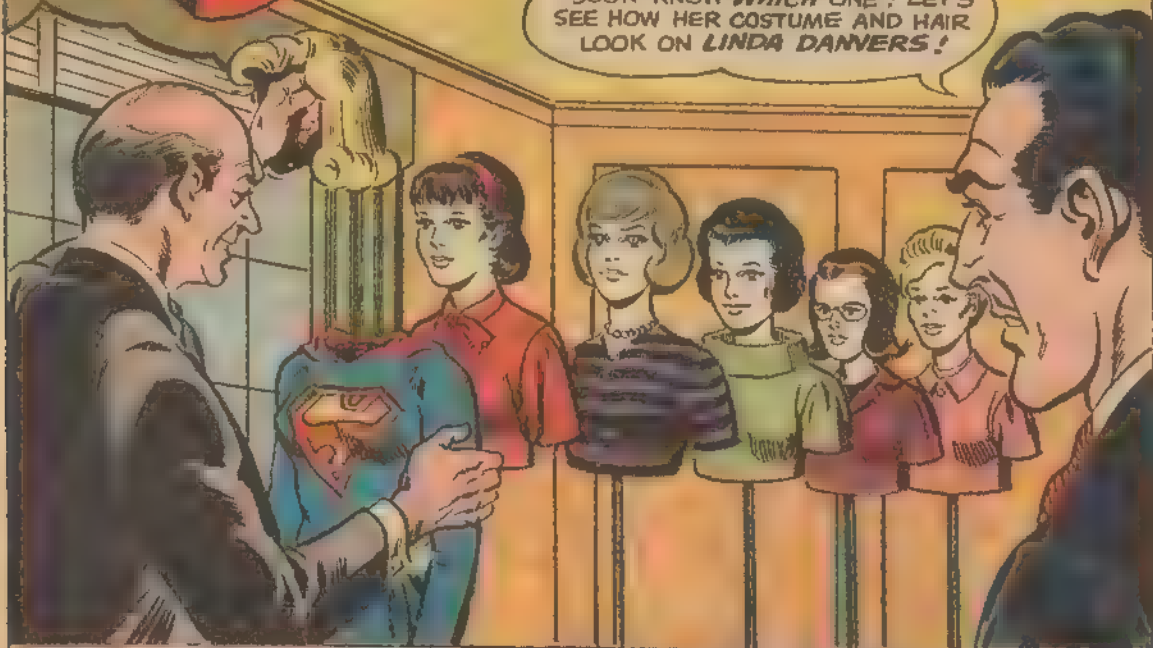
(We don't have to—since you're right on all your facts except one. The comet in the story wasn't Halley's! What Clark said about it was: "Just like Halley's Comet, it repeats its orbit after a number of years!" This one has a smaller orbit than Halley's, so it didn't take 75 years to return. —Ed.)

Dear Editor: I've been playing the game of Trivia a lot recently. One type of question that's often asked is the kind that concerns comic heroes. I'll bet I can stump plenty of players if you'll give me one piece of information to spring on them. What is Clark Kent's social security number? —Mel Chester, Davenport, Iowa.

(It's 092-09-6616. But please don't tell anyone. It may give away his secret identity. —Ed.)

SUPERGIRL

THESE DUMMIES REPRESENT OUR SUSPECTS! ONE OF THEM IS **SUPERGIRL**...AND WE'LL SOON KNOW **WHICH** ONE! LET'S SEE HOW HER COSTUME AND HAIR LOOK ON **LINDA DANVERS**!

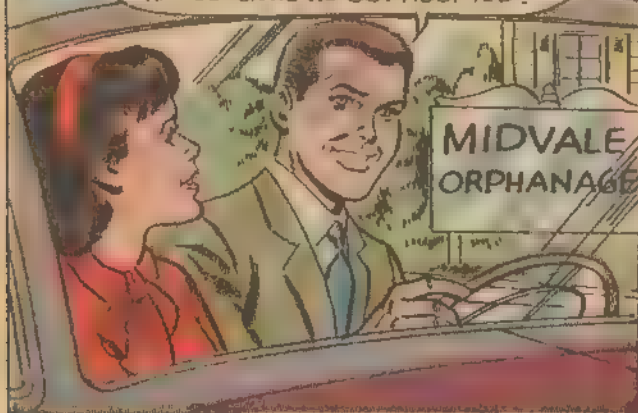


IT'S OLD-HOME WEEK FOR **LINDA (SUPERGIRL) DANVERS** WHEN SHE RETURNS TO **MIDVALE ORPHANAGE** FOR A REUNION. BUT THE FUN AND GAMES INCLUDE A DANGEROUS GUESSING GAME—DANGEROUS FOR THE **MAID OF STEEL'S** SECRET IDENTITY, THAT IS! BECAUSE A CLEVER CROOK IS ON THE VERGE OF EXPOSING OUR HEROINE'S ALTER-EGO, AS HE CONDUCTS...

The **SUPERGIRL** IDENTITY HUNT!

ONE DAY, IN EARLY SUMMER, **DICK MALVERNE** DRIVES **LINDA LEE DANVERS** OUT TO **MIDVALE ORPHANAGE**...

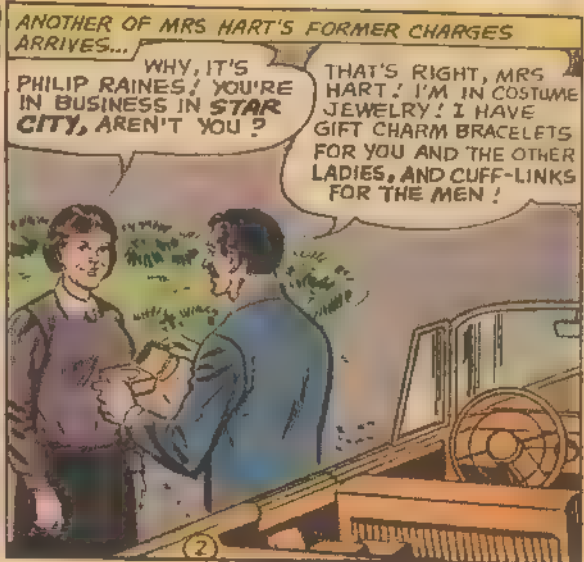
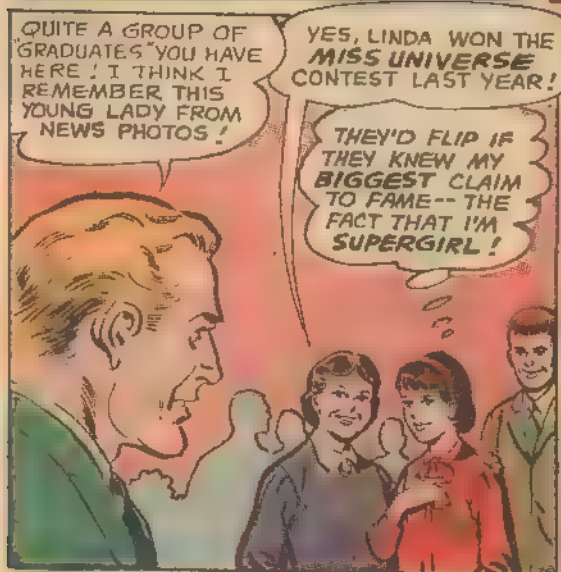
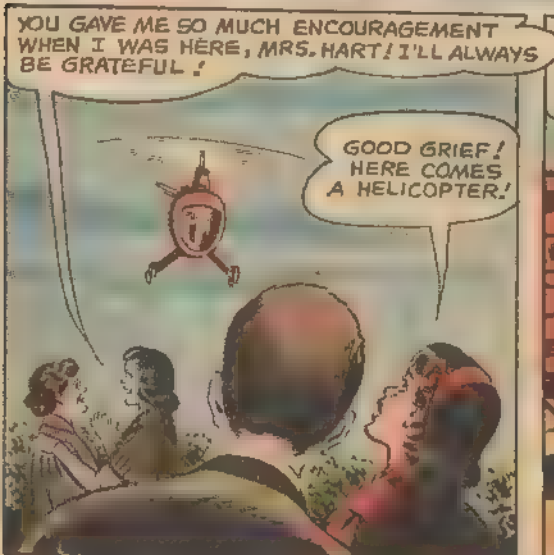
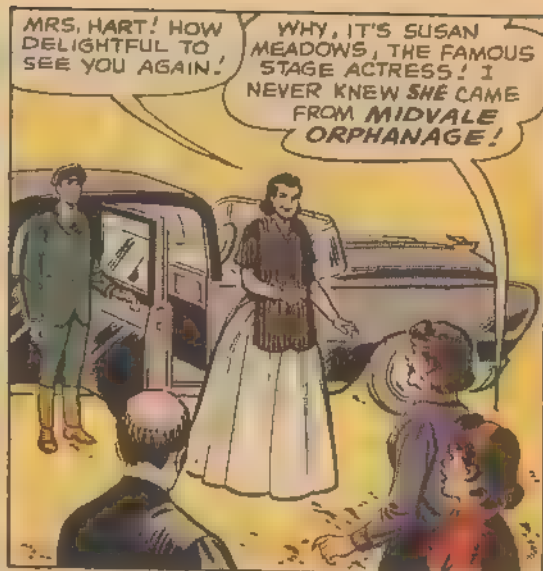
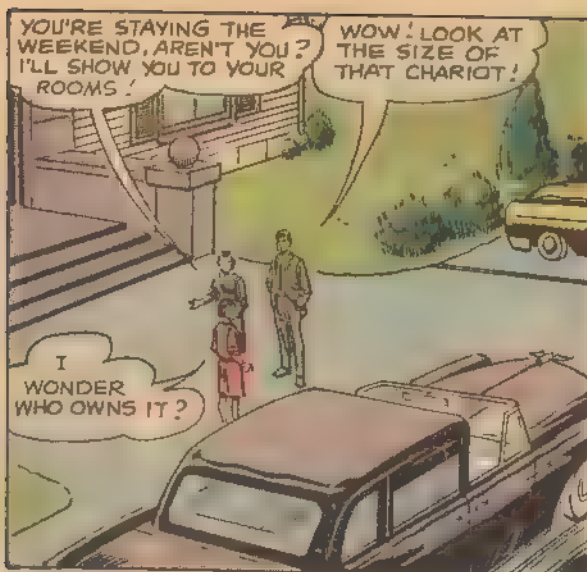
WELL, THERE IT IS, **LINDA**... THE "OLD HOMESTEAD," WHERE WE WERE RAISED UNTIL WE GOT ADOPTED!

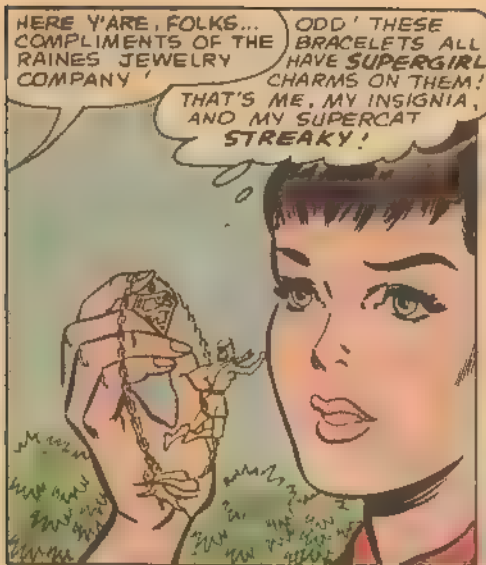


THE TWO YOUNG PEOPLE ARE WELCOMED BY THE HEADMISTRESS, **MRS. HART**...

HI, **MRS. HART**! I COULD NEVER FORGET REMEMBER EITHER OF YOU! I'M GLAD US? YOU COULD COME FOR THE REUNION! YOU KNOW, EVERY FIVE YEARS, I INVITE SOME OF THE FORMER RESIDENTS OF THE ORPHANAGE FOR A LITTLE GET-TOGETHER!

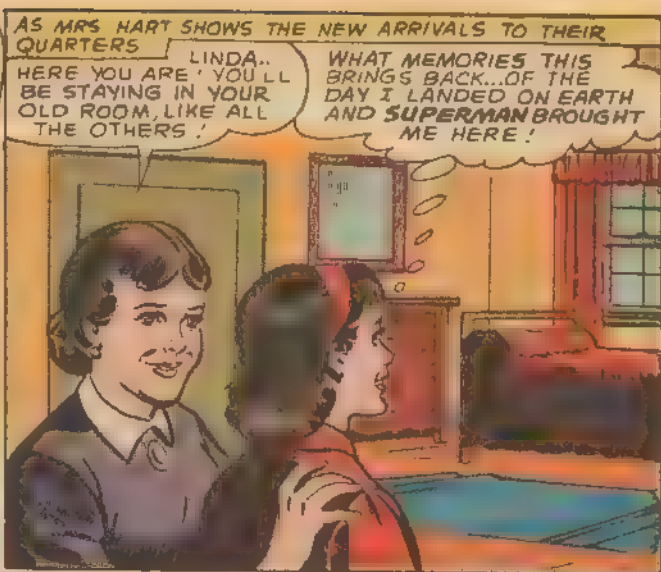






HERE Y'ARE, FOLKS... COMPLIMENTS OF THE RAINES JEWELRY COMPANY

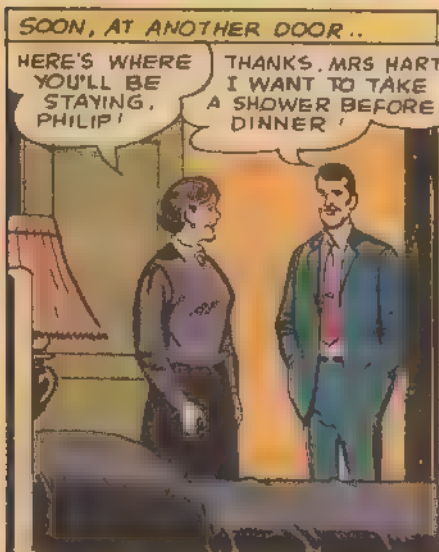
ODD! THESE BRACELETS ALL HAVE **SUPERGIRL** CHARMS ON THEM! THAT'S ME, MY INSIGNIA, AND MY SUPERCAT **STREAKY!**



AS MRS HART SHOWS THE NEW ARRIVALS TO THEIR QUARTERS

LINDA... HERE YOU ARE! YOU'LL BE STAYING IN YOUR OLD ROOM, LIKE ALL THE OTHERS!

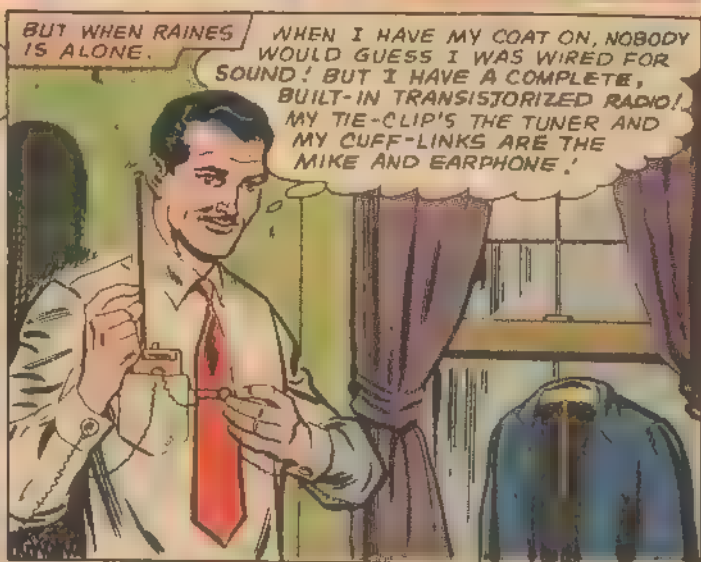
WHAT MEMORIES THIS BRINGS BACK...OF THE DAY I LANDED ON EARTH AND **SUPERMAN** BROUGHT ME HERE!



SOON, AT ANOTHER DOOR...

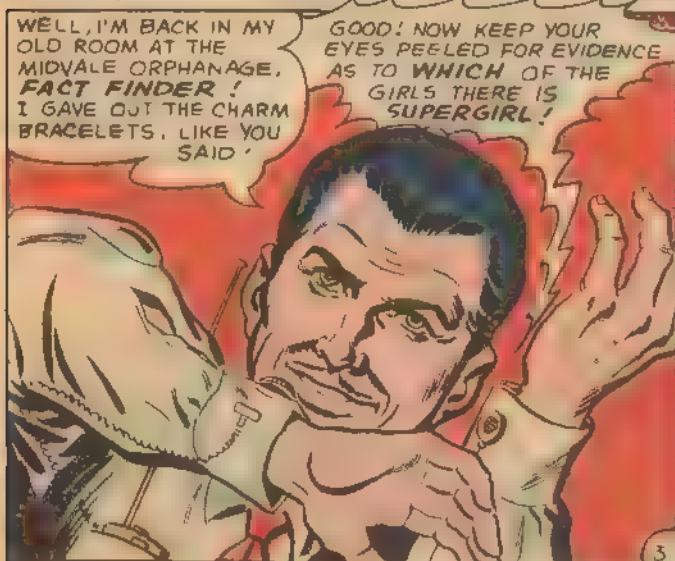
HERE'S WHERE YOU'LL BE STAYING, PHILIP!

THANKS, MRS HART! I WANT TO TAKE A SHOWER BEFORE DINNER!



BUT WHEN RAINES IS ALONE.

WHEN I HAVE MY COAT ON, NOBODY WOULD GUESS I WAS WIRED FOR SOUND! BUT I HAVE A COMPLETE, BUILT-IN TRANSISTORIZED RADIO! MY TIE-CLIP'S THE TUNER AND MY CUFF-LINKS ARE THE MIKE AND EARPHONE!



WELL, I'M BACK IN MY OLD ROOM AT THE MIDVALE ORPHANAGE, **FACT FINDER!** I GAVE OUT THE CHARM BRACELETS, LIKE YOU SAID!

GOOD! NOW KEEP YOUR EYES PEELED FOR EVIDENCE AS TO WHICH OF THE GIRLS THERE IS **SUPERGIRL!**

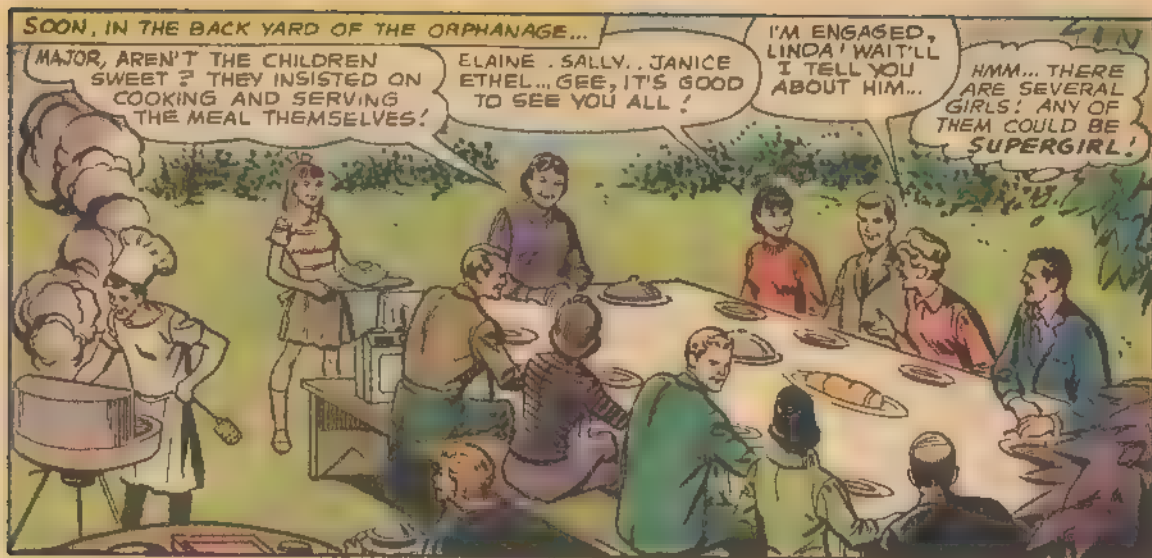
MY RESEARCH INVESTIGATION TRACED HER THERE A FEW YEARS BACK! ONCE WE KNOW HER IDENTITY, WE MOVE IN FOR THE BIG PLAY!

I BETTER SIGN OFF NOW! I THINK I HEAR MRS. HART COMING!

OH, PHILIP! TIME FOR DINNER!

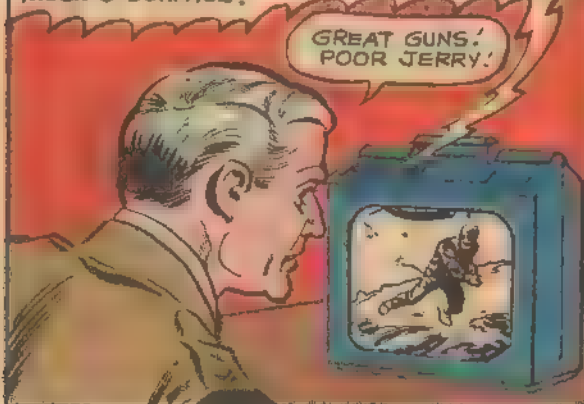
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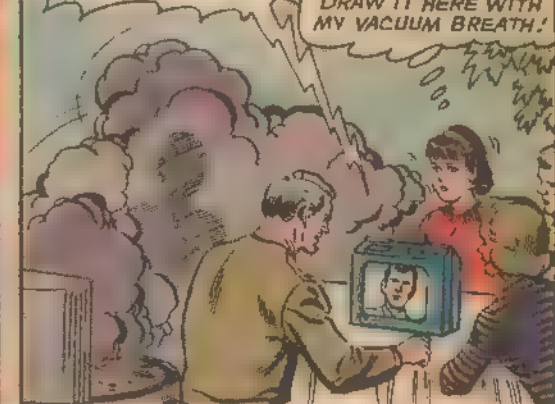
AIR FORCE MAJOR WOOD TUNES IN HIS PORTABLE TV SET...

THIS PICTURE WAS RELAYED FROM THE U.S. SPACE MISSION ORBITING THE MOON! IT SHOWS CAPTAIN JERRY HAWES ADRIFT IN SPACE AFTER HIS LIFE-LINE SNAPPED DURING HIS SPACE WALK TO DROP A FLAG TO THE MOON'S SURFACE!



HIS COMPRESSED-AIR GUN, USED FOR MANEUVERING, HAS JAMMED! AND THE CAPSULE CAN'T GO TO HIM, BECAUSE IT BARELY HAS ENOUGH FUEL FOR THE RETURN TRIP!

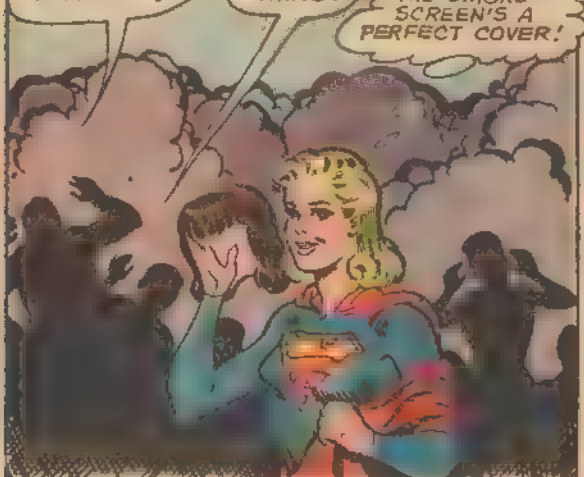
SUPERMAN'S AWAY, SO THAT LEAVES IT UP TO ME! I'LL NEED COVER... AH! THE SMOKE FROM THE BARBECUE! I'LL DRAW IT HERE WITH MY VACUUM BREATH!



COUGH! COUGH!! THIS SMOKE IS AWFUL!

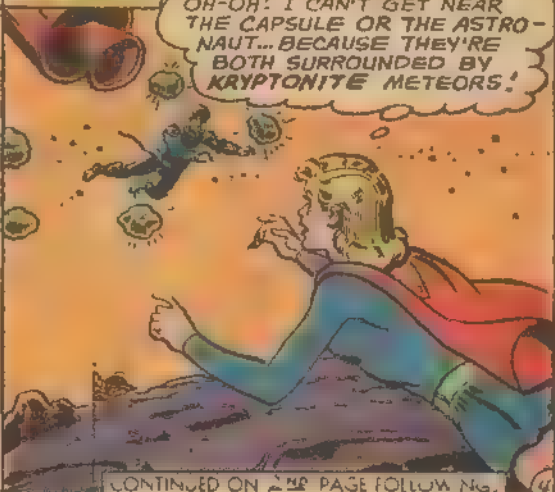
I CAN'T SEE A THING!

INCLUDING MY IDENTITY-CHANGE. THE SMOKE-SCREEN'S A PERFECT COVER!



BUT AS THE MAID OF STEEL STREAKS TOWARD THE MOON...

OH-OH! I CAN'T GET NEAR THE CAPSULE OR THE ASTRO-NAUT... BECAUSE THEY'RE BOTH SURROUNDED BY KRYPTONITE METEORS!



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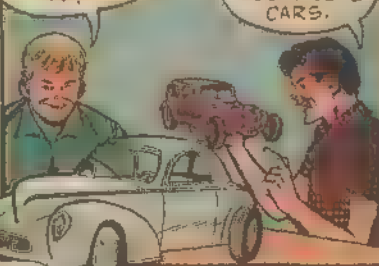
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FOR A
SPECIAL
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PAL.

BILL'S A REAL MODEL BUILDER, SO IT'S GOTTA BE A SUPER SPECIAL GIFT, JIM.



WOW, DIG THAT COOL '40 WILLYS' ROD. DOES THIS CHOPPED AND CHANNELLED '32 FORD REALLY COME WITH IT?

NATCH! THAT'S AN AMT TROPHY SERIES DOUBLE KIT, EDDIE. IT MAKES TWO COMPLETE CARS.



GEE, ANOTHER DOUBLE KIT. LOOK AT ALL THE WILD 'CHROME' PARTS ON THIS ALA KART!

THIS '29 FORD ROADSTER IS AN ALLTIME CLASSIC, GOSH. PICKING OUT A TROPHY SERIES MODEL FOR BILL IS HARDER THAN I THOUGHT!



ONE WEEK LATER...

THIS TROPHY SERIES '58 CHEVY IMPALA YOU GAVE ME IS THE GREATEST MODEL EVER, GUYS. LOOK, WHEELS STEER AND THE DOORS EVEN OPEN. IT'S SO AUTHENTIC MY DAD WANTS ME TO DISPLAY IT IN THE DEN!



WHATTA MODEL.

WISH IT WAS MY BIRTHDAY!

GIVE 'EM AND GET 'EM AS GIFTS, BUYS. AMT'S COOL, AUTHENTIC TROPHY SERIES 1/25TH SCALE MODELS.

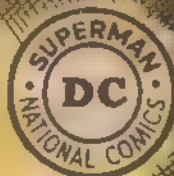


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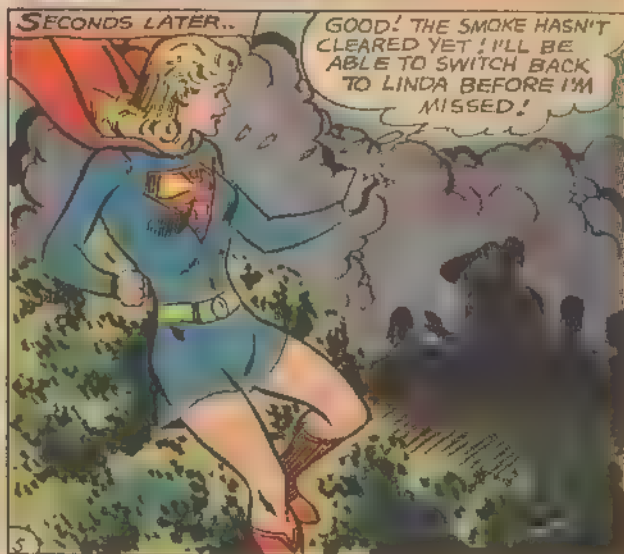
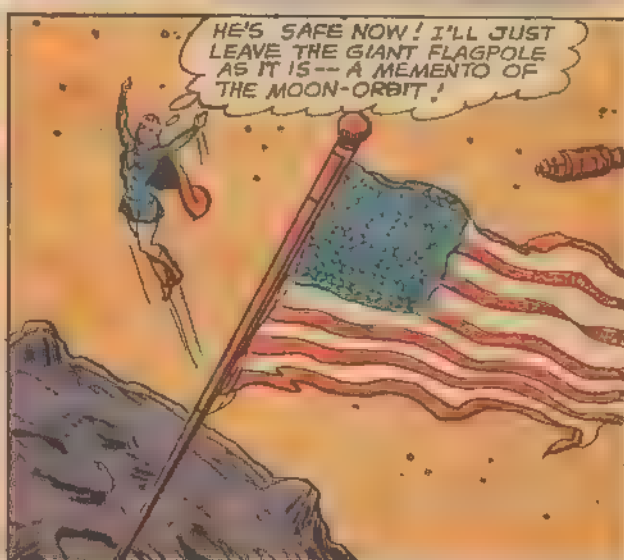
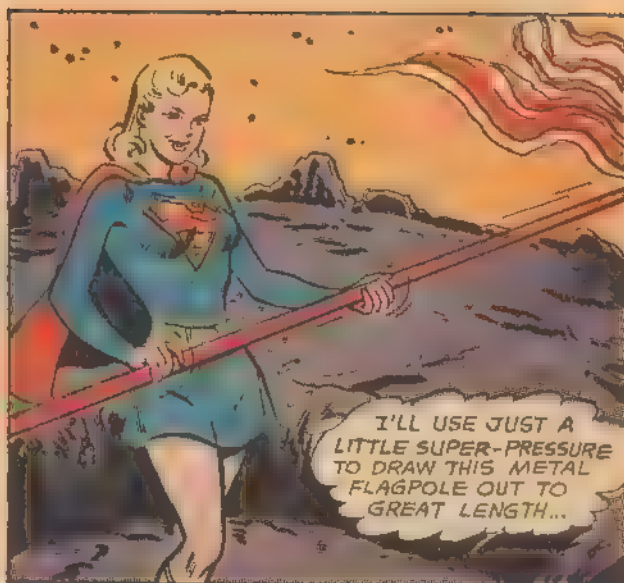
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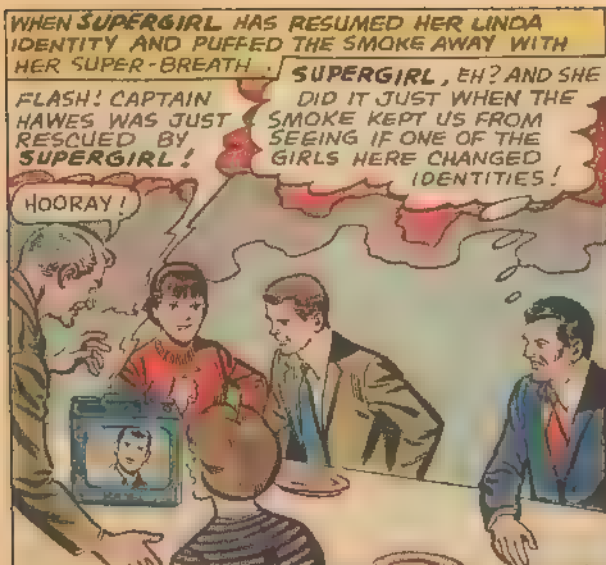
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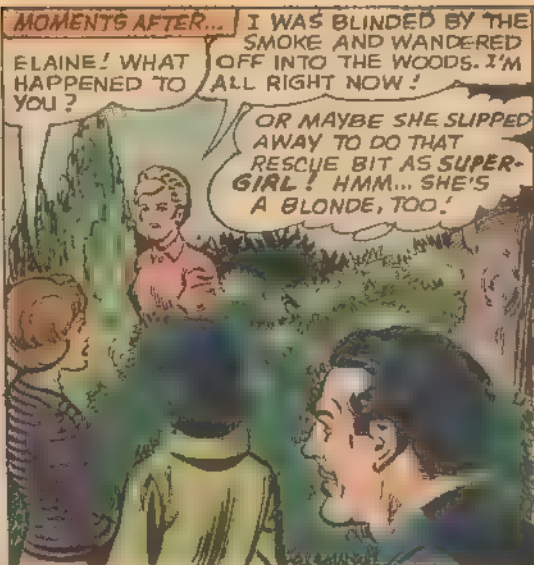


WHEN **SUPERGIRL** HAS RESUMED HER **LINDA** IDENTITY AND PUFFED THE SMOKE AWAY WITH HER **SUPER-BREATH**...

FLASH! CAPTAIN HAWES WAS JUST RESCUED BY SUPERGIRL!

HOORAY!

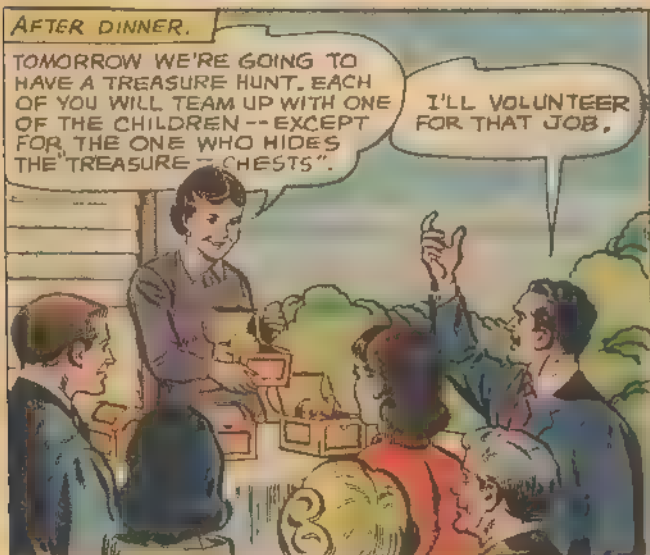
SUPERGIRL, EH? AND SHE DID IT JUST WHEN THE SMOKE KEPT US FROM SEEING IF ONE OF THE GIRLS HERE CHANGED IDENTITIES!



MOMENTS AFTER... I WAS BLINDED BY THE SMOKE AND WANDERED OFF INTO THE WOODS. I'M ALL RIGHT NOW!

ELAINE! WHAT HAPPENED TO YOU?

OR MAYBE SHE SLIPPED AWAY TO DO THAT RESCUE BIT AS **SUPERGIRL**! HMM... SHE'S A BLONDE, TOO!



AFTER DINNER.

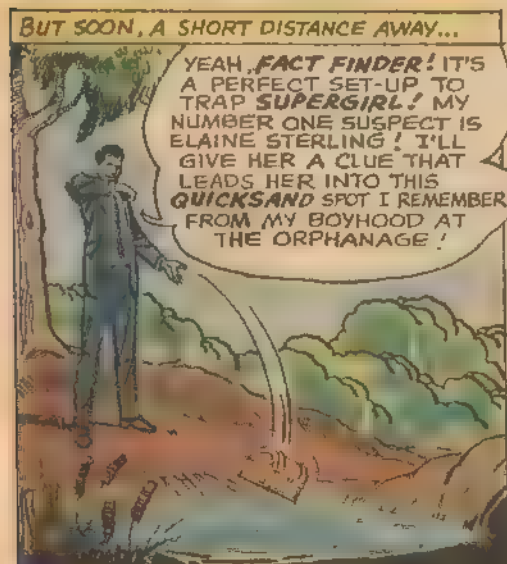
TOMORROW WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A TREASURE HUNT. EACH OF YOU WILL TEAM UP WITH ONE OF THE CHILDREN--EXCEPT FOR THE ONE WHO HIDES THE TREASURE--CHESTS.

I'LL VOLUNTEER FOR THAT JOB.



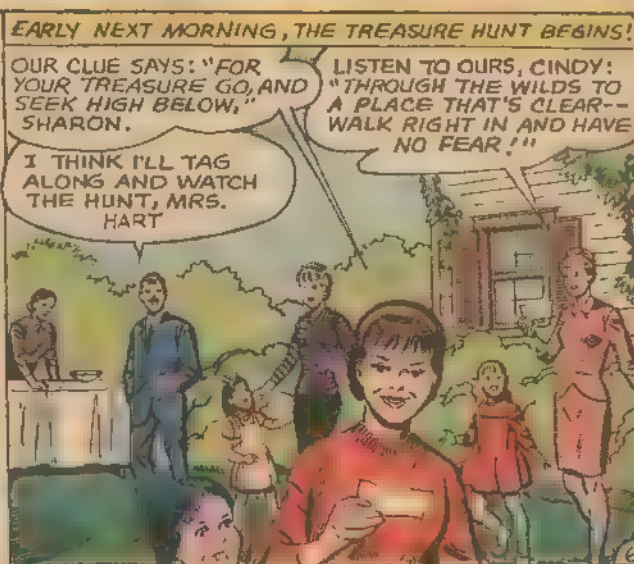
THEN WE'LL PLACE THE HUNT IN YOUR HANDS, PHILIP. FIND SOME GOOD HIDING PLACES AND THINK UP CLEVER CLUES FOR THE OTHERS TO FOLLOW.

IT'LL BE A PLEASURE, MRS. HART!



BUT SOON, A SHORT DISTANCE AWAY...

YEAH, **FACT FINDER**! IT'S A PERFECT SET-UP TO TRAP **SUPERGIRL**! MY NUMBER ONE SUSPECT IS **ELAINE STERLING**! I'LL GIVE HER A CLUE THAT LEADS HER INTO THIS **QUICKSAND** SPOT I REMEMBER FROM MY BOYHOOD AT THE ORPHANAGE!

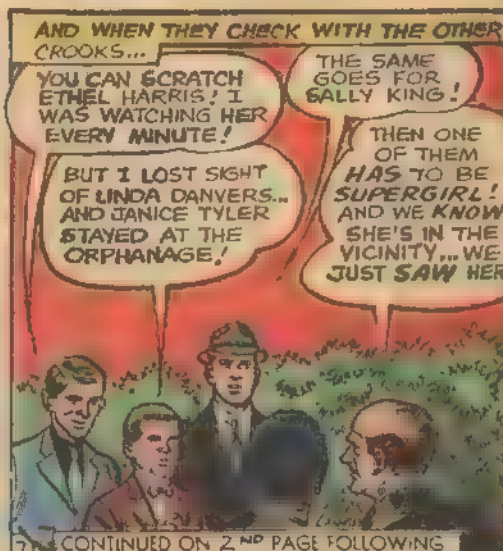
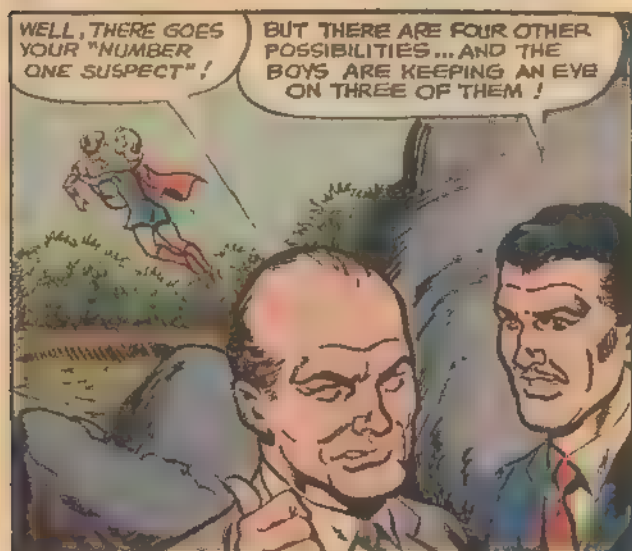
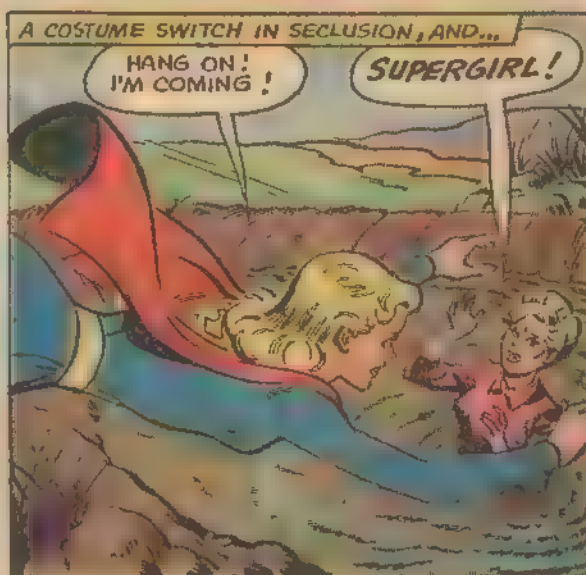
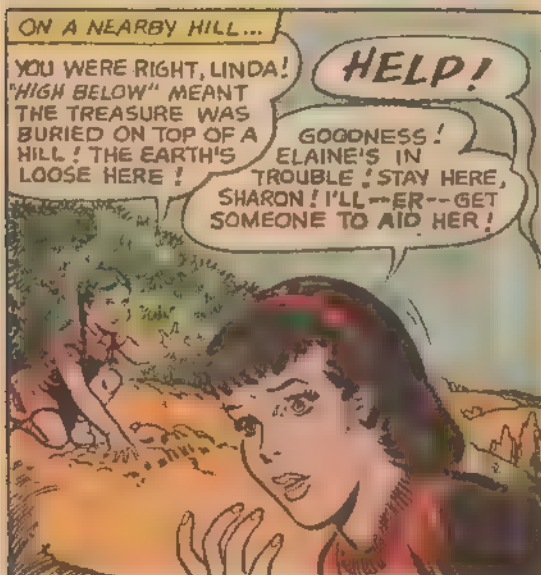
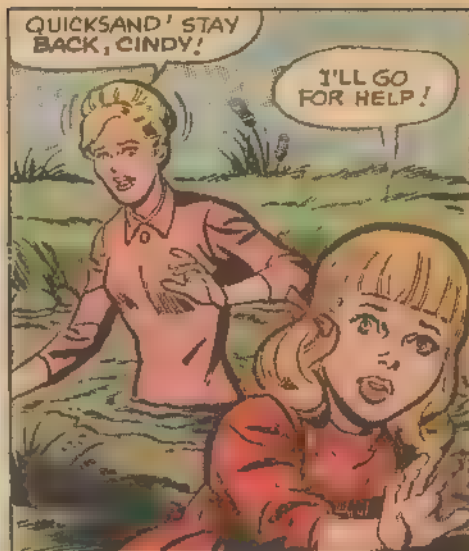
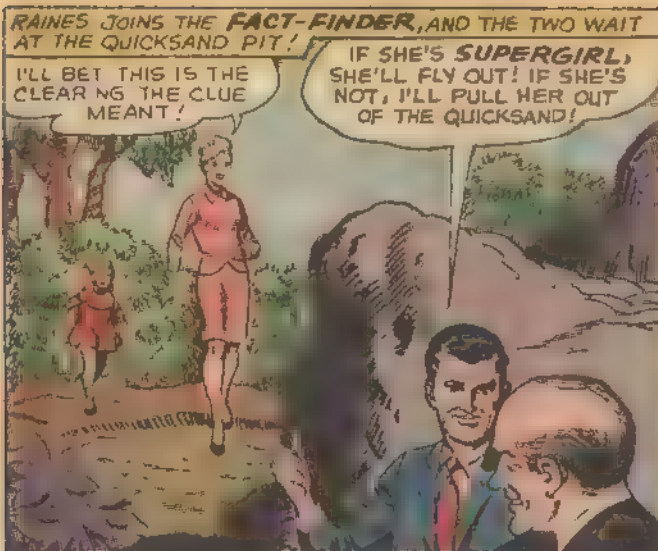


EARLY NEXT MORNING, THE TREASURE HUNT BEGINS!

OUR CLUE SAYS: "FOR YOUR TREASURE GO, AND SEEK HIGH BELOW," SHARON.

LISTEN TO OURS, CINDY: "THROUGH THE WILDS TO A PLACE THAT'S CLEAR--WALK RIGHT IN AND HAVE NO FEAR!"

I THINK I'LL TAG ALONG AND WATCH THE HUNT, MRS. HART



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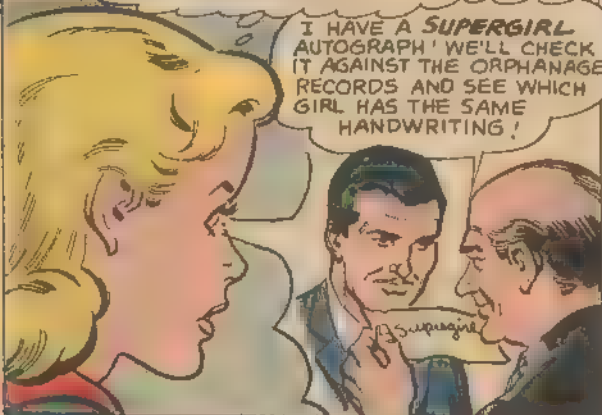
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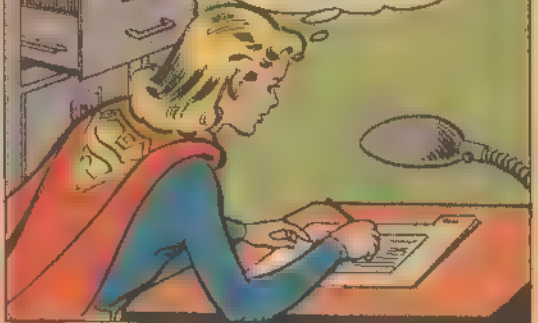
WHAT'S THIS? RAINES IS WITH THE **FACT-FINDER**, A PROFESSIONAL BLACKMAILER! I'LL SEE WHAT THEIR NEXT MOVE IS... WITH MY TELESCOPIC VISION AND SUPER-HEARING!



I HAVE A **SUPERGIRL** AUTOGRAPH! WE'LL CHECK IT AGAINST THE ORPHANAGE RECORDS AND SEE WHICH GIRL HAS THE SAME HANDWRITING!

AT SUPER-SPEED, THE **MAID OF STEEL** FLASHES TO THE FILING CABINETS CONTAINING THE RECORDS!

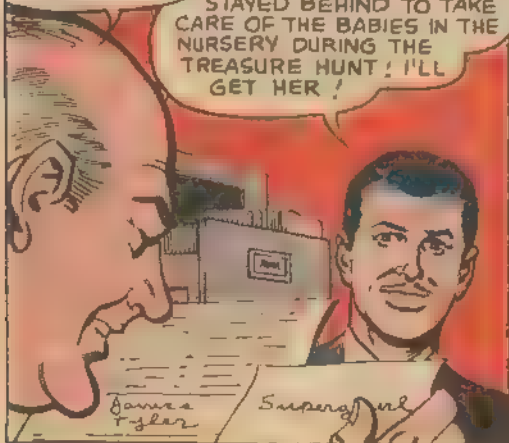
THE FILES COULDN'T GIVE ME AWAY **SUPERMAN** TAUGHT ME ALWAYS TO DISGUISE MY HANDWRITING WHEN I'M IN MY LINDA IDENTITY! BUT I'LL FAKE SOME DOCUMENTS TO MAKE THEM THINK JANICE'S WRITING IS LIKE MINE!



AND SO, MINUTES LATER...

THIS IS IT! JANICE TYLER'S HANDWRITING EXACTLY MATCHES **SUPERGIRL'S**

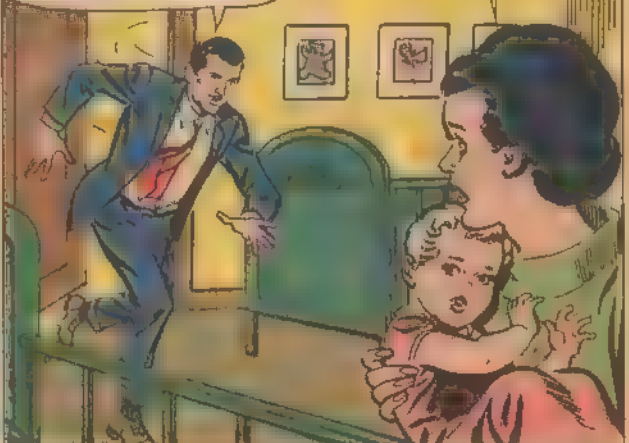
GREAT! SHE'S THE STUDENT NURSE WHO STAYED BEHIND TO TAKE CARE OF THE BABIES IN THE NURSERY DURING THE TREASURE HUNT! I'LL GET HER!



SOON, IN THE NURSERY.

JANICE! MRS HART HAD A BAD FALL WHILE INSPECTING THE BASEMENT FALLOUT SHELTER!

JUST A MOMENT! I'LL BE RIGHT WITH YOU!



AS JANICE HURRIES DOWN INTO THE SHELTER

STRANGE... I DON'T SEE MRS. HART! HEY! WHAT'S THIS?

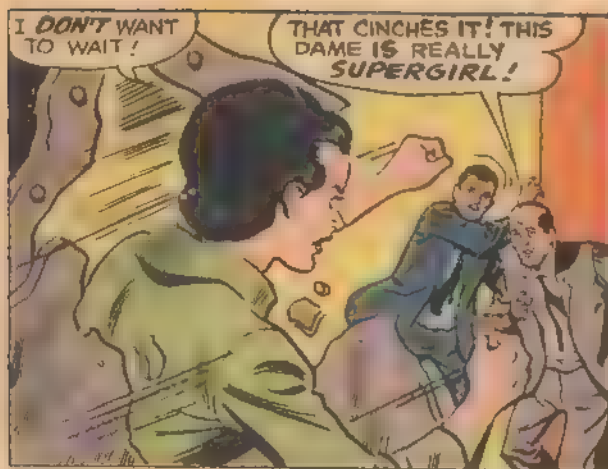
SLAM



OUTSIDE...

WE KNOW YOU'RE **SUPERGIRL**, JANICE! WE'VE CUT OFF THE SHELTER'S AIR SUPPLY! WHEN YOU COME OUT OF THERE ALIVE IN A FEW HOURS, IT'LL PROVE WHO YOU ARE! OR IF YOU DON'T WANT TO WAIT





I DON'T WANT TO WAIT!

THAT CINCHES IT! THIS DAME IS REALLY SUPERGIRL!



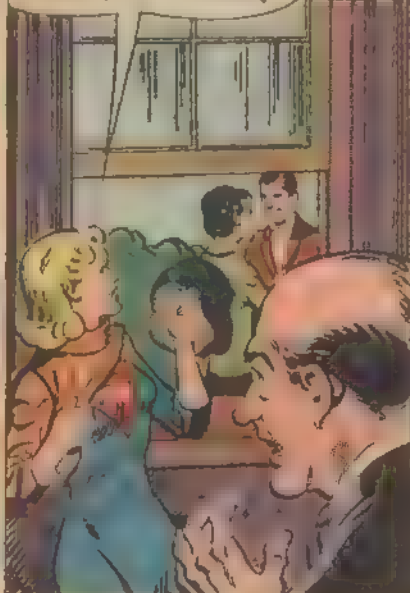
ALL RIGHT 'SPILL IT! HOW'D YOU KNOW WHO I AM?

OOF! THEY CALL ME THE **FACT-FINDER** AND **BLACKMAIL** IS MY GAME! I SET OUT TO TRACK DOWN YOUR IDENTITY AND ALL THE TRAILS LED RIGHT HERE!

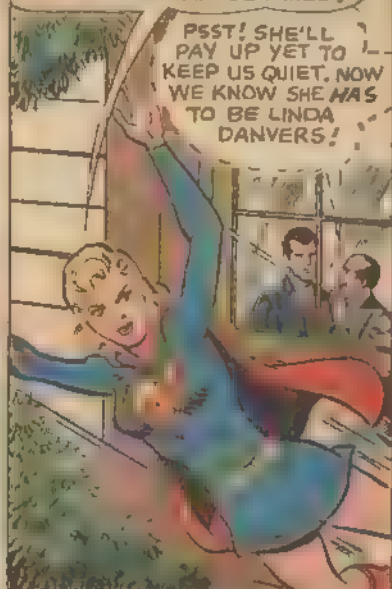
BEFORE YOU WERE KNOWN TO THE WORLD, THERE WERE MYSTERIOUS SUPER-DOINGS HERE. OBVIOUSLY YOUR WORK! WITH YOUR SUPER-POWERS, YOU CAN PAY PLENTY TO KEEP US FROM SPILLING YOUR SECRET!



BUT I FAKED THE EVIDENCE IN THE FILES! THERE'S THE **REAL** JANICE, OUT THERE!

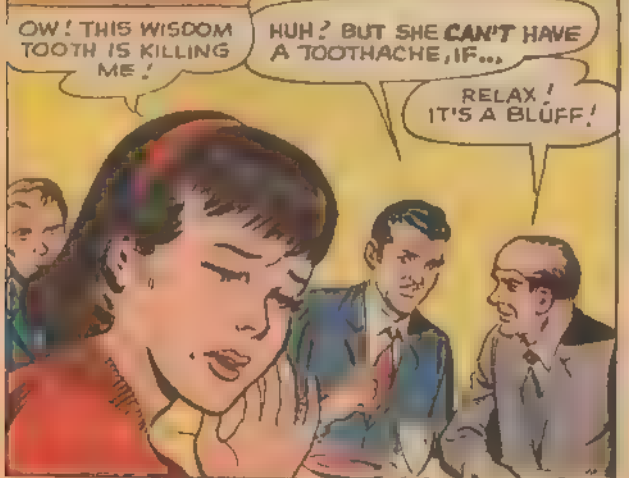


I'LL BE WATCHING YOU FROM NOW ON, SO DON'T TRY ANY MORE BLACKMAIL SCHEMES!



PSST! SHE'LL PAY UP YET TO KEEP US QUIET. NOW WE KNOW SHE HAS TO BE LINDA DANVERS!

BUT WHEN THE OTHERS RETURN FROM THE TREASURE HUNT, AND DINNER IS SERVED...WITH RAINE'S "FRIEND" INVITED...

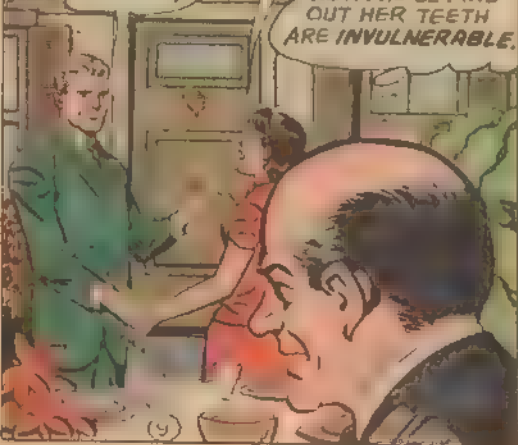


OW! THIS WISDOM TOOTH IS KILLING ME!

HUH? BUT SHE **CAN'T** HAVE A TOOTHACHE, IF...

RELAX! IT'S A BLUFF!

COME INTO THE INFIRMARY, LINDA, AND I'LL HAVE A LOOK AT THAT TOOTH!



ER -ALL RIGHT, DR. SMALL!

SHE'S IN A TRAP NOW! HE'LL FIND OUT HER TEETH ARE INVULNERABLE.

HOWEVER, A FEW MINUTES LATER..

WELL, THIS IS THE TOOTH THAT WAS GIVING YOU ALL THE TROUBLE, LINDA!

THANKS SO MUCH FOR PULLING IT, DOCTOR!

HOLY TOLEDO!

YOU CHUCKLE-HEADED BOOB! FACT-FINDER, MY EYE! IF LINDA WERE SUPERGIRL, HE COULDN'T HAVE PULLED HER TOOTH! I NEVER SHOULD'VE LET YOU TALK ME INTO THIS CROOKED DEAL!

I DON'T GET IT! AM I LOSING MY TOUCH? MAYBE I *SHOULD* QUIT THE BLACKMAIL BUSINESS!

AND WHEN LINDA AND DR. SMALL ARE ALONE...

THANKS FOR THE ASSIST, COUSIN! YOUR "DENTIST" ACT SURE PUT OUR HOAX OVER!

AND THEY'LL NEVER REALIZE I'D ALREADY FLOWN THE REAL DR. SMALL BACK TO METROPOLIS AS I HAD PROMISED HIM I WOULD!

NOR THAT I'D TOLD YOU MY PROBLEM VIA SUPER-VENTRILLOQUISM AND YOU PREPARED THAT DISGUISE AND THE FAKE TOOTH, **SUPERMAN!** THANKS AGAIN!

MY PLEASURE LINDA! YOU CAN HAVE A REAL HOLIDAY WITH YOUR FRIENDS AND THE ORPHAN KIDS.. NOW THAT YOU'RE RID OF A PONEY "TOOTHACHE" AND A COUPLE OF GENUINE "PAINS-IN-THE-NECK"!

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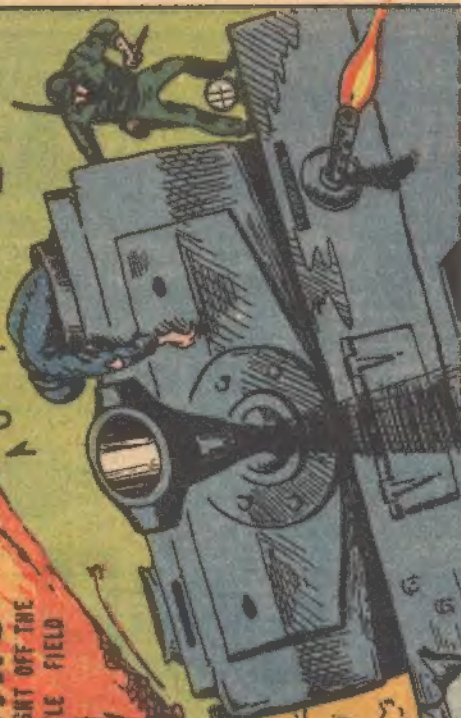
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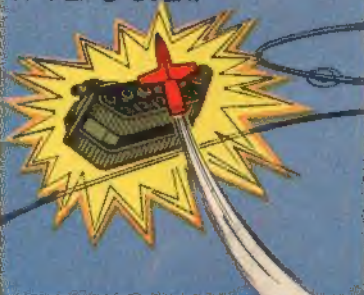
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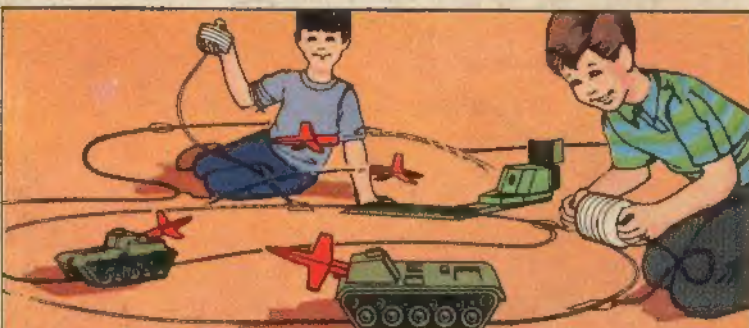
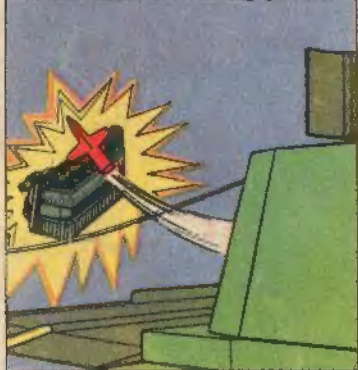
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